

# AXMINSTER

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## Carpets is back in profit

AXMINSTER Carpets has made "a true profit" for the first time in more than 10 years.

Managing Director Dave Knight has also given a long-term commitment to the town, saying: "I do not see any scenario where we are not based in Axminster."

Mr Knight gave a frank and open assessment when he was the guest speaker at Axminster Town Council on April 10th, also revealing that he inherited "a company in a mess" last year.

He had been invited to give an update on Axminster's most famous company, which has been through turbulent times including administration four years ago.

Mr Knight took over in May last year and has led a programme called 'Axminster Carpets - Transforming a National Treasure'.

He said the transformation is going well, but stressed there is a long way to go.

Achievements so far include moving into profit, launching new products and a big change in culture.

When greeting town councillors, Mr Knight said: "I'm acutely aware of the importance to this area of Axminster Carpets."

"I will be incredibly open with you, I will answer any questions you like."

"It may be 'I don't know,' but I won't fob you off."

Mr Knight started his presentation by saying: "The troubles and tribulations of Axminster Carpets are well-known to you, so I don't need to go through that."

"I joined the company last summer and I inherited a company that was in a mess. There was a huge amount to resolve."

One problem was a dated product range, and

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Mr Knight explained: "You cannot survive that in any business, you have to keep moving forward."

"One of the things the company cut when it hit financial difficulties was product development."

That particular problem has been tackled and, listing other achievements so far, Mr Knight said: "Our contract sales are up 50 per cent year on year, so we seem to be doing something right."

But the big news was that the company is turning a profit.

Mr Knight didn't elaborate on figures, but said: "We have moved into profit and, to be honest, this company has not made a serious profit, a trading profit, for at least 12 years."

"But, certainly in February and March, we have been profitable."

"A true profit. Those of you who are accoun-

tants will know you can create profits out of all sorts of things."

Earlier in the meeting he had promised the company is committed to the UK and Axminster.

He said: "We have a long-serving workforce and they deserve better than what they had, and I will give them that."

"I want to protect jobs and create new jobs. To do that we need to be financially successful. I know what unemployment is like, it is a killer."

"We are an independent company and we intend to remain so. The carpet industry is consolidating and a lot of it is going into big corporate groups, most of them not based in UK."

"We are absolutely going against that, we are British-owned and we intend to remain so - and I don't see any scenario where we are not based in Axminster."

"We could probably produce it cheaper abroad, but we are absolutely not going to do that."

Openness is a key word and part of the culture change introduced by Mr Knight, who said: "We are very open, we brief everybody every month, we share with them everything."

"How much money we are making or not making, how much money we have spent, how much money is left in the bank - so there are no surprises. And that is poles apart from the culture I inherited."

He said the company wants to build long-term success and be a highly ethical and environmentally-aware business.

Councillor Brian Watson asked if the company has any plans to sell off land it doesn't seem to be using.

Mr Knight replied: "It is not our land. We are just a tenant like other people on the site."

Councillor Ian Hall, a former Axminster Carpets employee, followed-up by asking: "How long is your lease, if you are looking for sustainability?"

Mr Knight replied: "That is not an issue, decades."

The company also has a desire to be a strong part of the community.

Mr Knight explained: "We want to be part of this community, it is so important to me."

"What form that takes, time will tell. We can't simply pay for this and pay for that, we are still improving the finances but there are things we can do."

This includes building links with local schools and supporting the Pippins Centre, having donated carpet and furniture.

Councillor Sue Spiller said: "It is good to hear that Axminster Carpets is on the up. It is really pleasing to hear you say positive things about it."



■ TRANSFORMING A NATIONAL TREASURE: Axminster Carpets managing director Dave Knight

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# Football club 'moving in the right direction'

YEOVIL Town FC have announced that the club's financial losses have reduced with the chairman saying the club is now 'moving in the right direction' despite a challenging year.

The Glovers reported losses of £450,000 in the 12-month period ending 30 June 2016, compared to £692,000 the previous year.

The club finished the 2015/16 season in 19th place in League Two.

The directors made the decision to replace the manager Paul Sturrock with Darren Way midway through the season after achieving only 11 points from the first 20 games.

The costs involved in doing this, alongside players' wages and a medical bills for treating injured players, were said to have contributed to the loss.

Yeovil Town chairman John Fry said: "The size of our operational losses since being relegated from the Sky Bet Championship are unsustainable for a club of Yeovil's size."

"If allowed to continue, we would in the short-term encounter serious financial difficulties in running the club."

"I am therefore pleased to report our football club is now moving in the right direction, and through good management, we have substantially reduced our financial losses for the current season."

"Progress continues to be made on all fronts

in a challenging local economy, and with huge efforts being made behind the scenes to ensure the club is always moving forward with our local community."

● THE football club – along with Yeovil Town Holdings Ltd – have submitted an appeal to the Planning Inspectorate with regard to an application for a community playing field and recreation use at Lufton.

The appeal was filed at the Inspectorate on last month following a refusal decision by South Somerset District Council in September 2016.

Planning agent David Bell, following the appeal submission, said: "An appeal has been submitted which now has to go through the validation process. We have asked for a hearing rather than written representations or a full inquiry."

"Once validated, the appeal will be heard by an impartial inspector."

The plans include two full-sized football pitches, an option for a cricket pitch, a modest pavilion to accommodate four changing rooms and necessary changes for access and associated car parking.

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## Four taken to hospital after breathing in boiler fumes

FOUR people were taken to hospital, as a precaution, after a diesel boiler released fumes at a farmhouse in Donyatt Hill, near Ilminster.

Emergency services were called just before 12.50pm on Good Friday.

A spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "Appliances from Ilminster and Chard were mobilised following a call from the occupants, who were feeling unwell after a diesel boiler had released fumes."

"Crews confirmed that three people had been removed from the property into open air and were being checked over by paramedics."

"Crews found the source of the leak to be domestic heating oil fumes from a boiler."

"Crews isolated the boiler and made the area safe before leaving duty of care with the owner, awaiting the arrival of a heating engineer."

"In the end three adults and one child were taken to hospital to be checked over as a precaution."

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## Warning over fake trading standards officers

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The resident is then told by the officer that for the claim to proceed £1,000 must be paid into a specific bank account, the details of which are provided by the fake officer.

Stephen Gardiner, Interventions Manager at Devon and Somerset Trading Standards Service said that trading standards and police officers would never ask for money from members of the public.

He added: "We are urging residents to be extra cautious about anyone unexpectedly knocking on their door.

"If you are unsure about their motives, do not open the door. If you do open the door to callers you don't know, then you should always ask for identification."

A spokesperson added: "If someone refuses to show you their ID card, or stops you from taking it from them to examine it more carefully, then do not let them in, shut the door immediately and, if you feel threatened, call the police.

"Do not give your details including your phone number to anyone who knocks at the door."

All trading standards officers and council officials have an official photo ID card.

To check the credentials of someone claiming to be from Devon and Somerset Trading Standards Service call 01392 382728.

If you need advice about traders calling at your door, contact the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06 or, if you feel threatened or are in immediate danger, please dial 999.

## Case file against PCC to be handed over to Crown Prosecution Service

THE case file into Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner Alison Hernandez's

son Hernandez's spending at the 2015 General Election – when she was re-

sponsible for the Conservatives' election spending in Torbay – will be referred

to the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS).

West Mercia Police led the investigation after allegations that Ms Hernandez failed to properly declare campaign expenses when she was the Conservative Party's election agent for Torbay in 2015.

The Independent Police Complaints Commission has confirmed it intends to pass the file to the CPS.

Andrew White, chief executive for the Devon and Cornwall Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, said: "I have been informed that Ms Hernandez's case will be referred to the CPS for its consideration.

"I want to take the opportunity to clarify a number of issues about this process to avoid any confusion.

"To ensure absolute independence, in circumstances such as these, there is a clear legal process to be followed.

"West Mercia Police carried out the investigation and not

Devon and Cornwall to avoid any suggestion of bias."

"Although the case is being referred to the CPS, at this time, no decision has been made about whether charges will be laid against Ms Hernandez.

"There is no presumption that their consideration will lead to a charge and even if the CPS decides to charge it may be many months before any case comes to court."

Mr White also said Ms Hernandez's position as PCC would not be affected.

He said: "This referral does not prevent the commissioner from holding the position of PCC.

"If a charge is brought this remains the case – it would not prevent her from remaining in office.

"I am certain that some will see this as a significant stage in the investigation, but in British justice an individual is innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

"There is no charge, no trial and

no verdict, and neither is there any impediment to the commissioner carrying out her duties as an elected representative of the people of Devon and Cornwall."

Devon and Cornwall PCC Alison Hernandez



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# Axminster boat goes full circle

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AN Axminster-built boat is to play a leading role in a world record attempt later this year.

Lyme Regis rower Nigel LeGassick will be among a team of four to take on a non-stop row around the British Isles this September.

Members of Team Island Voyagers hope to break the world record for fastest non-stop, unassisted row around the British Isles in aid of The Honeyput Children's Charity.

They will do so in a boat also named "Island Voyagers".

The boat is no stranger to long-distance rows. It was built by Justin Adkin, of Axminster-based Sea Sabre, in 2005 and named "All Relative".

Once built, Justin rowed "All Relative" with a crew of four across the Mid Atlantic route.

In 2007, it was renamed "Go Commando" by RM Orlando Rodgers, who also rowed it across the Atlantic, and in 2011 it was again renamed, called "Seagals", and rowed around Great Britain participating in GB Row 2011.

The boat then took part in the 2011 Mid Atlantic race, but was abandoned by the crew halfway across.

It was discovered off the Dominican Republic by a fisherman, who claimed salvage rights, before it was bought by Simon Chalk and shipped back to the UK.

The Island Voyagers team purchased the boat as a shell in 2015.

The vessel has now gone full circle and has just been given a refit by its original builder, Justin.

The current record for an unassisted, non-stop team row around the British Isles stands



■ **THE Island Voyager with its crew, who are hoping to break the world record for fastest non-stop, unassisted row around the British Isles**

at 26 days and nine hours, and the Island Voyagers team are setting off on the 2,100-mile route from the Calshot Activity Centre, near Southampton, at 12noon on July 8th with the hope of beating it.

The challenge was the idea of skipper Jeremy Webb, 46, from Southampton, who was also part of a six-man team to row the North Atlantic in 39 days in 2014, setting a record for the most distance covered in 24 hours.

Having already spent about £40,000 to get to this stage, team members are looking for businesses to sponsor the boat.

There is also the chance to join the team's 100 Club by donating £100.

All sponsorship will be split between the cost of the challenge and the team's chosen charity, The Honeyput Children's Charity, which offers both respite breaks and outreach support to young carers and vulnerable children, many of whom would otherwise have nowhere to turn.

For more information on the Island Voyagers challenge, team or sponsorship opportunities, visit [www.islandvoyages.co.uk](http://www.islandvoyages.co.uk) or to donate online visit [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/islandvoyagers](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/islandvoyagers).

You can also follow progress of the team on their Facebook page [www.facebook.com/islandvoyagers](http://www.facebook.com/islandvoyagers) or on Twitter @islandvoyagers

■ **AXMINSTER** Phoenix Ladies Club's annual donation to charity has been given to what used to be Axminster Tourist Information Centre (TIC).

The TIC closed at the end of March to become part of Axminster Heritage.

The money donated will be ring-fenced for the tourist information element.

Shane Morgan (TIC treasurer) attended a club meeting to receive the cheque, which was presented by Lesley Frankau and Julia Walter.

He said: "We are very grateful."



## Mayors' photos to go on display

FRAMED photos of previous Axminster mayors are to be rescued from storage and given due prominence.

The photos used to be displayed in the museum, but were deemed surplus to requirements when the museum moved from the Old Courthouse to Axminster Heritage Centre.

Town councillor Sue Spiller, a former mayor of the town, felt that keeping the photos in stor-

age indicated a lack of respect.

At a recent town council meeting, she said: "The photographs have been brought back to the Guildhall. These are at present carefully wrapped and packed and in our store."

"I don't think that is the correct place for photographs of our first citizens. Some of those have sadly passed away, but I think they deserve more respect than being packed

away in a box.

"They are part of the history of our town and, as a former mayor myself, I know what a privilege it was to serve this town."

"I propose that all photos of Axminster town mayors, together with their names and the dates they served, be displayed in the Churchill Room [upstairs in the Guildhall]."

Her proposal was passed unanimously.





**■ MORE** than 20 members of Axe Valley Pedallers recently swapped the usual criss-crossing of the Devon, Dorset and Somerset borders for a whistle stop trip to France. The group are pictured above enjoying their trip to the continent

## Feedback wanted on villages plan

EAST Devon District Council (EDDC) is seeking feedback on its preferred version of the East Devon Villages Plan.

Following a previous public consultation, the council has produced a plan it hopes to submit for examination by a government inspector.

The public has until 12pm on Wednesday, May 10th 2017 to comment on the plan and the supporting documents, and all comments will be sent to the inspector.

EDDC is producing the plan to help guide decisions on where new

development should take place in 15 selected larger villages, as well as the town of Colyton.

Its key purpose is to define Built-up Area Boundaries (BUABs) around the villages of Beer, Broadclyst, Clyst St Mary, East Budleigh, Feniton, Kilmington, Musbury, Newton Poppleford, Sidbury, Uplyme, West Hill, Whimble and Woodbury as well as the town of Colyton.

BUABs (drawn as a black line on the plan) show the areas within these settlements where new housing would be generally acceptable

— subject to certain criteria.

An EDDC spokesperson said: "It does not, however, mean that land has been specifically allocated for development in these locations.

"Outside the black line, further development would only be acceptable in special circumstances. "However, this does not affect residents' ability to extend properties and doesn't mean that houses are not part of the village in any other way."

The plan is available online at [http://eastdevon.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/villages-](http://eastdevon.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/villages-plan/villages-plan-2017/proposed-submission-plan-and-supporting-documents)

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Councillor Andrew Moulding, chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee, said: "We would like to hear from as many residents as possible, as their views are an important part of the process in finalising the Villages Plan, which is destined to help determine planning applications across the district."

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# Death cafe comes to Axminster

A DEATH café will be held in Axminster Arts Café on Tuesday, April 25th from 7pm – 9pm.

Gill Amos, project co-ordinator for Axe Valley Visiting Scheme and Forget Me Not Reminiscence Service, said: "It is not morbid. At a death café people meet to drink tea and coffee whilst talking about death and dying so they can get on with the business of living. "This is a free discussion group open to all."

Those aiming to attend are asked to contact Gill in advance by e-mailing [gill.amos@actioneastdevon.org.uk](mailto:gill.amos@actioneastdevon.org.uk) or calling 01404 549045.

# Petrol leak

FIREFIGHTERS helped deal with a car leaking petrol in Axminster.

They were called to Chard Street shortly after 9.30am on Sunday, April 9th, and a spokesperson for the fire and rescue service said: "One appliance from Axminster was mobilised."

"Crews assisted the owner of the car by draining the tank into a five-gallon drum and left it with him to dispose of."



## Bovis boosts hospital fund

■ BOVIS Homes has donated £4,000 to Axminster Hospital League of Friends.

Yasmine Willcox of Bovis Homes explained that the money comes from an ongoing initiative, and added: "Every

time a house sells [at the Cloakham Lawn estate], we donate £200."

League of friends treasurer Steve Holt said: "We are thrilled that Bovis Homes approached us and offered to support us as one of many community

elements they help in the area.

"We are really grateful for their help, and I would like to reassure people that the hospital is still thriving and we are working tirelessly to develop it further."

# Lawsons shuts up shop after 24 years

HARDWARE store Lawsons is to cease trading after 24 years in Axminster town centre.

Saturday, April 29th will be the last day of trading.

Manager Jenny Pring could not speak on behalf of the owner, who does not live locally, but she confirmed that unsuccessful attempts had been made to sell the business as a going concern.

She added: "Thank you to all our customers who have supported us and been loyal over the last 24 years."

"I will miss them all."

The shop has two full-time staff and two part-time staff."

# Police team up with library to meet public

AXMINSTER'S Neighbourhood Police Team is to hold public surgeries in the town's library, giving residents an opportunity to raise any concerns.

The first surgery will be on Monday, April 24th at 10am, with more to come on Monday, May 22nd, Monday, June 19th and Monday, July 17th.

PCSO Chris Bolsover said: "We are aware that some members of the public do not feel that they have easy access to their Neighbourhood Police Team."

"We therefore thought that an ideal way to

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reach more people and give them an opportunity to voice their concerns in the local area would be to work in partnership with the library.

"We are delighted that they have agreed to work with us."

"We plan to hold surgeries on every fourth Monday at Axminster Library, so please come along and let us know if you have any concerns

in the local area, or just come along to meet us and have a chat."

Sarah Jones of Axminster Library said: "Axminster Library is very pleased to welcome our Local Neighbourhood Police Team to join us at the library and hold a regular drop-in and advice session."

"We are very keen to get involved in local issues and assist our community to get the information and help they need."

"We look forward to working closely with the PCSOs over the coming months."



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# Margy to tackle London Marathon for The Project

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A PECO staff member is about to tackle the London Marathon for the first time.

Margy Pearce will run to raise money for Axminster-based charity The Project, which supports youngsters with mental health issues.

Being a member of Axe Valley Runners, she is no stranger to long distances, having completed races including The Grizzly.

Margy, 47, said: "After taking up running in my 30s, and many years of applying via ballot for the London Marathon, I've finally secured my place."

"By supporting me in completing this long-awaited ambition, you are also helping a charity that truly makes a difference to a young person's life, and their family/carers."

Margy has worked for Peco for nine years and is a valuable member of the manufacturing team.

The Project has groups in Axminster and Chard, and serves East Devon, South Somerset and West Dorset.

The Project founder and manager Debbie Humberstone said: "We are delighted that Margy has chosen to raise money for us by taking on the London Marathon."

"We rely on grants, donations and fundraising to continue our vital work with young people, and are always hugely grateful to



■ **LUCKY WINNER: Margy Pearce was successful in the ballot**

everyone who chooses to raise money for us.

"Taking on the marathon is an amazing challenge, and we hope people will support her efforts. We will certainly be cheering her on."

If anyone would like to sponsor Margy, they can do so by sending donations to her, care of Peco, or online at [mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/margartpearce1](http://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/margartpearce1)



■ **A MARIE Curie Axminster and Seaton Fundraising Group coffee morning, held at the heritage centre, raised £180.**

Organiser Sandy Sinclair said: "The helpful welcome of the heritage centre made it a good move."

"On a lovely spring day, a vast array of cakes contributed to a profit of £180."

"Books, plants, and bric-a-brac all sold well in comfortable surroundings."

"The hardworking volunteers were particularly grateful to the businesses who contributed prizes and contributions, including Labels for Less, Alendale Dry Cleaners, Acorn Gifts, Ganesh, and Mole Avon, as well as many private donors."

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# Dinosaur themed mini-golf course is officially open

THE Jurassic-themed mini-golf course at Seafeld Gardens has officially opened.

Owner East Devon District Council and LED (which manages the course) hosted

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a formal opening ceremony on Friday, April 7th.

The ribbon was cut by

EDDC leader councillor Paul Diviani, ably assisted by Seaton mayor and district councillor Marcus Hartnell and EDDC parks improvement officer Mike Vine.



## Dr Pitt's marathon challenge

RETIRED Seaton GP Dr Joe Pitt shows no sign of slowing down, training hard for London Marathon on April 23rd.

He will run in aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home, which is run by Hospiscare but funded by Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends.

Dr Pitt is a keen runner and has several Grizzlies under his belt.

But a marathon on the streets of London will be somewhat different from the Grizzly fare of beaches, bogs, cliffs and uneven paths through woods and across fields.

Dr Pitt comes well-prepared, though, having trained hard and often accompanied by his dog on long runs.

Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home provides end

of life care for adults registered with Seaton, Colyton and Beer GP practices.

Sponsorship forms are

available in the GP practices, the League of Friends' charity shop and Seaton Hospital.



## Vandals help to repaint look out

YOUTHS have helped police and East Devon District Council repaint a feature on the seafront in Seaton.

Neighbourhood beat manager PC Richard Jenkins said: "Four local youths helped in repainting the look out on the Esplanade, covering up the graffiti which they had admitted to being involved in. "Hopefully lessons have been learnt."

## One person taken to hospital after collision

ONE person was taken to hospital with a head injury after a one-vehicle incident in Seaton.

Emergency services were called to the A3052, near the Gatcombe Farm turning, just after 11.05am on Wednesday, April 12th.

A spokesperson for the ambulance service said: "A male casualty, with a head injury, was taken to Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital."

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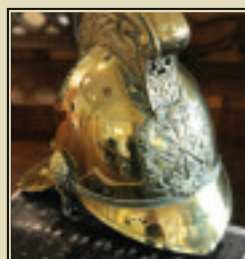
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# Tennis players 'Dig Deep' for Kenya charity

MEMBERS of Seaton Tennis Club braved the heat to dig deep for charity on Saturday, April 8th.

They turned up for a club tournament in aid of the Dig Deep charity, which provides clean

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water sources and hygiene education to poor communities in Kenya.

The tournament was for all abilities, with a mixture of team and social players.

Speaking prior to the tournament, organiser Jordan Raine said: "Dig Deep is a great cause that I'm

passionate about helping, and I would be hugely grateful for your support.

"I'm pleased to announce that Barclays are match-funding this event – which means that all proceeds from the day (entry fees, refreshments, extra donations) will be matched pound for pound, so your money will go twice as far."

Mr Raine later said: "The exact total raised [by the players] was £838, which is getting matched by Barclays – so £1,676.

"We had two teams of seven rather than lots of doubles pairings – Simon's Diamonds beat Peter's Pimms 75-51 (total number of games won) over six rounds.

"A big thanks to everyone who helped make

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■ **LOCAL tennis players enjoyed the sunshine whilst raising funds for Kenya charity Dig Deep**

## Recycling roadshow this Friday

SEATON will be the first local town to host East Devon District Council's (EDDC) waste recycling roadshow.

From mid-June, EDDC will roll-out its new and improved kerbside collection service after a successful trial period in selected areas.

All households will be able to recycle more items including cardboard, cartons/Tetra paks, plastics (including pots, tubs, bottles and trays) and small electrical items.

As so much more is being recycled, waste collections

will only be carried out every three weeks.

An EDDC spokesperson said: "Over the next few weeks letters outlining the changes will be sent to all residents about the changes."

A series of roadshows are also planned to spread the message. The first one will be held in Seaton on Friday April 21st at the Tesco store from 10am to 2pm.

Recycling officers will be on hand to explain the new service, which has already

begun in Exmouth and its 17,000 households.

The spokesperson said: "The service started in the town in mid-February, and within the first six weeks of the new system residents were throwing away 15 per cent less than they had done before and recycling almost 60 per cent of their waste."

Information about the new service is available online at [www.eastdevon.gov.uk/on-board](http://www.eastdevon.gov.uk/on-board) and includes a full list of what residents will be able to recycle.

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■ **THANK YOU:** Poppies Lyme Bay manager Carolann Manjang presents a bouquet to long-standing customer Peggy Marriott

## Poppies celebrate ten years in Lyme Bay

■ IT WAS a double celebration for cleaning service Poppies Lyme Bay recently, as it marked 10 years in business and 10 years under the management of Carolann Manjang.

The company celebrated by presenting a bouquet of flowers to its very first customer, Charmouth resident Peggy Marriott, who still regularly uses the service today.

Peggy, who signed up for the Poppies service as soon as it was set up, was full of praise for the domestic cleaning company, and said: "They have been wonderful and I could not do without them. They have never let me down."

The company, a franchise of the national Poppies brand, was set up in 2007 by Graham Iszatt and is based in Wootton Fitzpaine, near Charmouth, but covers a large territory across the Lyme Bay area – from West Compton to Sidmouth and inland to Yeovil. The franchise has expanded over the years, now with nine staff, and it is currently looking to recruit more cleaners.

They offer a friendly, domestic cleaning service with weekly, fortnightly, four-weekly or one-off cleans available to meet each client's individual needs.

The national brand Poppies was established by the late Sue Rorstad in County

Durham in 1980 and she soon decided to make the business a franchise opportunity, creating more jobs across the country, with the first franchise bought in 1984. Sue later received the MBE for services to domiciliary care.

The company retains its original philosophy of giving a fair deal for its employees.

It aims to provide clients with a high quality, professional and consistent service and achieves this by treating its employees in the same way.

More information on Poppies Lyme Bay is available at <http://poppies.co.uk/lymebay>

## PCC outlines her vision for the future of policing across Devon and Cornwall

DEVON and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner Alison Hernandez was among speakers at the annual conference of the East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership, held in Broadclyst on April 5th.

More than 100 people attended, and heard police speak about modern day slavery and local policing issues.

Those attending were also updated on the RISE Hub in Axminster (a 12-month project aimed at providing additional help and support for people with addiction) and Bthechange (which supports first time offenders and their families).

Ms Hernandez was the final speaker, outlining her vision for the future of policing across Devon and Cornwall.

The conference also had display stands staffed by Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue



■ **VISION:** Police and Crime Commissioner Alison Hernandez addresses the conference in Broadclyst

Service, Devon and Somerset Trading Standards Department, Environmental Health from East and Mid Devon District Councils and Devon Domestic Abuse Support Service.

Gerry Moore, the Community Safety Officer for East

Devon, said: "We are once again delighted to have been able to provide local people with an overview of the good work which is taking place in East and Mid Devon in order to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors alike."

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## NHS looking to increase uptake of free cancer test

The NHS is hoping to improve the uptake of a free bowel cancer test, leading to more lives being saved.

A bowel screening kit is automatically sent to all 60 to 74-year-olds every two years to pick up early signs of cancer that may otherwise go undetected.

Early diagnosis is the life-saving key to bowel cancer treatment.

But last year less than two thirds of the eligible population in the South West took up

the offer and returned a sample.

Most people will be told within two weeks that no signs were detected.

South West NHS Public Health Consultant Julie Yates said: "We don't like to talk about our poo and bowel movements and some people may find this particular test unpleasant to perform."

"But my message to anyone who receives a test kit in the post is that cancer is so much harder to treat if we don't catch it early."

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Dried fruit is also a risk to dogs and can cause renal failure so keep Hot

Cross Buns and Simnel cake away from low tables or other places your crafty hound may be able to get to. It is wonderful to see the daffodils coming up, but we need to be aware that they are highly poisonous to dogs, if your dog is a digger and likes to help you in the garden, make sure daffodil bulbs and flowers are inaccessible and lifted bulbs are stored out of reach. For some of us, it can all get a bit much at these busy family times. We may like our house being filled with family, friends and music but not all our pets do. For some, the bustle and noise can be very stressful. If you have a timid pet who enjoys the quiet, make sure there is somewhere peaceful that they can go to not be disturbed. They may prefer to have their food and litter tray in a hidden corner.

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■ **EAST DEVON LUNCHEON CLUB:** Alan Cotton was the speaker at East Devon Luncheon Club last month.

Alan lives locally but he is a well known international artist and has exhibited at David Messum's gallery in Cork Street, London for 25 years.

He met David when he was making a film for the BBC about the artists of Newlyn School in Cornwall.

Alan Cotton has had some

great adventures. He accompanied an expedition led by David Hempleman-Adams to Everest and, as expedition artist, his expenses were paid in exchange for a painting.

On a return trip he climbed to 22,000 feet and made many drawings and watercolours of Everest in crystal clear light for his 2012 exhibition in London.

He loves painting in Piedmont in Italy and also likes

the west coast of Ireland.

He is essentially an oil painter, but also works in watercolours and pastels.

In September this year he has an exhibition of works on paper – drawings and watercolours, and next year of oil paintings, both at Messum's in the West End.

It was a very interesting talk from a distinguished artist, whose work is collected by many of the well-known people he has met.

■ **SEATON WINDSOR FELLOWSHIP:** As we come to the end of our winter programme of talks and musical afternoons, we welcomed back Rosie Giles to give us an update on the work being done in the schools of Uganda.

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Added to which, on its northern border, it is flanked by parts of the Sudan and the Congo, where drought has ruined the last three harvests.

A large part of the work is to train African teachers to use the best methods to help the pupils to be respectful of the environment and the community in which they live.

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■ **BEHIND THE SCENES:** PECO chairman Michael Pritchard, son of the company's founder Sydney Pritchard, pictured in the factory in Beer  
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**I**NNOVATION and investment have always been at the forefront of PECO's success story. From the clever ideas of model train enthusiast and PECO founder Sydney Pritchard, spanned a company which, 71 years later, can proudly call itself the world's leading manufacturer of model railway track.

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While other companies are now realising the benefits of bringing business back to Britain, PECO already has a well-established workforce at its long-term home in Beer.

In fact, while other companies have been focussed on moving their manufacturing abroad, PECO has developed trading relationships across the world and now exports its products to 34 countries, its biggest markets being in America and Australia and others including China, Taiwan, Thailand and Japan.

Managing Director Ben Arnold is the third generation of the Pritchard family to take the helm at PECO, following on from his uncle Michael Pritchard, who is now the company's chairman.

Ben is keen to further develop relationships overseas to ensure the business continues to thrive in the future.

"Model railways is a hobby that's well ingrained in the USA and Australia, but we're interested in growing our market in countries such as India and South America," he commented.

"That's where we have a focus and some challenges to overcome."

Back in Beer, one of the main challenges for the company is space and PECO is always trying to ensure it makes the best use of its site by making its production processes as efficient as possible, and it seems to be working well, with more than 1,000 products in its catalogue and something new developed each month.

The bustling factory is equipped with the latest technology to keep up with PECO's high quality standards and cutting edge ideas. Everything is done on site; from the first idea for a new product to seeing it made on the factory floor.

Mr Arnold commented: "Product development is a key part of what we do; coming up with new ideas and turning them into some-



■ **HIGH QUALITY:** A scene from PECO's exhibition hall, showing off its products which are finished to the highest specifications

thing that can be made efficiently and successfully. Sometimes that involves investing in new machinery, so we are also always developing new processes as well as products.

"We are truly innovative, as a lot of our ideas end up in production. We're always striving for innovation and high quality."

Despite its forward-thinking, the company uses a more traditional touch to look after its 130 staff; a mini bus to pick up workers from the local area, hearty meals served in the staff canteen and a gift for everyone at Christmas.

This is no faceless corporation; staff are encouraged to talk to the directors and share their ideas, and if they feel their skills could be put to better use, there's a variety of aspects to this family-run business which they can try their hand at. As well the many aspects of manufacturing of model railways, PECO's site in Beer is also home to its own shop and exhibition, the popular tourist attraction Pecorama, and sees two monthly magazines published.

The publishing side of the business first started in 1951 when Sydney Pritchard bought 'The Railway Modeller' magazine for £100 from Ian Allen Publishing. Now simply named 'Railway Modeller', it has expanded in size and has a monthly distribution of 35,000, making it the UK's number one model railway magazine. The company added a second title, 'Continental Modeller', in 1979, regarded as essential reading for every enthusiast who models the different railways of the world.

Even in the publishing side of things, PECO is keen to keep up with modern advancements. Digital editions of the titles are now available to read online and there are plans for a new website and a digital archive.

So while visitors can take a step back in time and enjoy a steam train ride at Pecorama, behind the scenes at PECO it's quite a different story – where innovative thinking and the latest technology is helping this company make strides into the future.



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■ **ON DISPLAY:** Chainsaw artist Gary Orange, who has made sculptures from trees on the Pecorama site, will be among those to display his work in the sculpture trail

## Sculpture trail at Pecorama

PECORAMA in Beer will open its new sculpture trail on Monday, May 1st.

The trail will see works of art placed around the gardens, with participating artists including Anthony Fagin, Sue Smith, Michael Kusz, Adrian Gray, Carolyn King, Gary Orange, Greta Berlin, Jim Coplestone, John Calder, Dave Holland, Ian Marlow, Paul Harvey.

For full details of all events at Pecorama, visit [www.pecorama.co.uk](http://www.pecorama.co.uk)



# What are future plans for hospital?

■ **AN OPEN letter to Hugo Swire MP on the future of Ottery St Mary Hospital:** As I am sure you are aware, there is deep and ongoing concern locally about the future plans for Ottery St Mary Hospital.

The RD&E Stroke Unit provision is about to vacate the Ottery Hospital buildings and there is a resounding lack of information available about the CCG's plans for its future use.

It is clear to see now that the hospital site is being withdrawn from use and faces the prospect of being 'mothballed'.

Your previous comments on this hospital and its relationship with NEW Devon CCG indicate that you would not wish to see Ottery Hospital site withdrawn from the essential health provision in our area even though we have to accept that in-patient beds are not currently part of their plan.

You will know that the population of Ottery and its surrounding area is rapidly increasing with new housing developments as are the needs of its large ageing population of which I am part.

The opening of the Budleigh Salterton Health and Wellbeing Hub is rightly being heralded as a positive step forward for the residents of Budleigh, Exmouth and Woodbury.

The community of Ottery St Mary and the surrounding villages of East Devon can surely

■ I AM writing in hope that I bring some attention to the seagull problem that is clearly worsening in Axminster town square.

As a resident of the square I have had to put up with the around the clock noise, widespread muck and litter problems that are a result of the large and ever growing population of gulls. Not to mention the damage caused to roofing and the aggressive behaviour displayed during nesting.

I recently had a new skylight fitted which lasted the best part of a week before it was completely covered with excrement, so now it matches my car! I hope the issue is something that can be addressed by the council before the problem worsens further.

*Name and address supplied*

present a similar case for such a hub being developed at Ottery Hospital as soon as possible.

Confirmation of a definite plan for this would allay fears of mothballing or closure and start to reassure your constituents that the CCG plan for community care is indeed a reality rather than an ill-defined elusive aspiration.

The Ottery Hospital League of Friends has already donated £250,000 to the hospital and is wanting firm assurance that this costly investment will not be lost in the accounts of NHS Property Services.

I am asking you to take up the case of Ottery Hospital with NEW Devon CCG and any relevant Government departments as you think appropriate.

I would hope that as a result a clear unambiguous statement can be made about the timetable for full operational use of the Ottery Hospital site.

The current silence and lack of transparency on the future of our hospital is unacceptable and fosters a lack of confidence in NHS and Government plans to meet our health and social needs.

I look forward to confirmation that you will be able to take this matter forward as soon as possible.

**JUDITH AYRES,**  
Aylesbeare

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# Skatepark is good for town

■ IT'S very exciting to be involved in the Axminster Skatepark Project and we are extremely supportive of the cause.

The existing space is in desperate need of improvement and there is an amazing opportunity to create a world-class facility and much needed community space for young people.

The youth and community of Axminster have worked extremely hard over the last five years to get the project to this stage.

The group have organised countless meetings and events to raise awareness and move this project forward.

There is a deep-seated, passionate desire to see this project to fruition. We have seen a huge resurgence in the development of concrete skateparks in the UK and this is set to continue with the inclusion of skateboarding in the 2020 Olympics.

Concrete skateparks offer many benefits to the communities:

- A concrete skatepark provides young people with a safe place to recreate;
- A skatepark offers people the opportunity to engage in healthy activities;
- Good skateparks will attract people/families to the area and encourage local secondary spending in town;
- A skatepark provides people with a space where they can interact with each other and develop their social skills;
- Skateparks are known to reduce anti-social behaviour because they engage young people in positive activities;
- Concrete skateparks appeal to people of all ages and skill levels – interest in wheeled sports spans the generations and gender, regardless of ethnicity;
- If a town doesn't have a skatepark then it is a skatepark – it makes sense to provide people with a space to enjoy the sport they love.

The skatepark proposed for Axminster is de-

signed to be made from spray concrete, which has its own set of special benefits over other riding surfaces,

Concrete has virtually zero maintenance costs over its lifetime unlike modular ramp structures that are proven to demand continual ongoing investment for maintenance and resurfacing, likely to be thousands of pounds annually.

Concrete enables the designer to create completely bespoke facilities that can be tailored exactly to the local riding community needs.

It can be finished into organic shapes that cannot be replicated in wood or skatelite. Concrete has a 30 year plus lifetime, whereas modular ramp structures will require constant ongoing maintenance and generally fail within 10 years; sometimes less.

According to RoSPA concrete has significant safety benefits over modular ramp structures.

Most importantly, concrete is the users preferred riding surface; they will always choose concrete over any other material.

Ultimately, if this facility is to be successful then it has to be fit for purpose; this is no different to any other sports facility in that respect.

The current space suffers from anti-social behaviour because it is not fit for purpose. The most effective way to regenerate the space is to create a facility that people really want to use, and will take ownership of.

Dorchester Skatepark is a great example of what can happen when a high-quality concrete skatepark gets built.

A press release issued by Dorset Police's Section Commander shows that Crime & Anti-Social Behaviour in Dorchester has dropped 19 per cent since the completion of Dorchester Skatepark in 2009, and 33 per cent in the area where the skatepark is located.

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## The day I fell foul of the Hammers' most passionate fan

I GOT my first job in London in the late 1980s after five very happy years launching and running the Star Newspaper group in Taunton.

Although I had no real intention of leaving the West Country, the lure of running newspapers in London was too good an opportunity to miss and my salary was more than doubled when I was appointed managing director of Greater London & Essex Newspapers, a family publishing firm which had been recently acquired by Tony O'Reilly's Independent Newspapers, the great man's first venture into the UK publishing scene.

One downside, of course, was that I had to move from glorious Lyme Regis to Dagenham, which proved to be a bit of a culture shock. But I soon settled into life in the East End and was able to afford a posh flat in Docklands. It was my intention to move my family to London, but initially I would either come home for weekends or Jackie and my three children would come up by train and we would spend our spare time exploring the capital.

My journey into work could not have been different than my life in the West Country; driving through the back lanes to Taunton every day was in total contrast to my new journey to work in offices in Dagenham, travelling up the A13 during the rush hour, or into the heart of the East End where I had an office in Bethnal Green, just around the corner from where the Kray brothers were born in Vallance Road. When I was going into Dagenham it always tickled me when I drove past a fish and chip shop called 'Oh My Cod' where Stacey Solomon used to work before she shot to fame on The X Factor.

But I soon began to love life in the East End and I found the people to be among the friendliest I have ever come across.

I took a bit of stick over my West Country accent but the people who worked for me were decent sorts who were determined to ensure that I was looked after in a very different environment I was used to.

They were among the kindest people I had ever met, a fact that was brought home to me when my son suffered a serious asthma attack from which he nearly died.

What I did not know when I took the job was that one of my first tasks was to close down a print factory in Essex where a number of militant printers that had been made redundant by News International in the battle for Wapping had found alternative employment.

Driving through the factory gates when the announcement was imminent was one of the most frightening episodes of my working life with one of my car windows being smashed by those on the picket line.

After that I got a driver, Timmy Darby, a real East Ender with a colourful background, who hated going south of the river.

He looked after me for the rest of my time in London and remains a friend all these years later.

I had reason to thank Timmy for getting me out of all sorts of scrapes, one of which readily comes to mind and one which me and my former colleagues still laugh about when we meet up.

With my football background I was determined to establish a good relationship with West Ham United and we managed to secure the contract to publish their monthly magazine, Hammers News.

A part of the deal included taking a hospitality box at Upton Park where we wine and dined potential advertisers at all home games.

Some bright spark (it was probably me!) decided our team should wear claret blazers on matchdays. When I look back on it, we probably looked like Dorset & Wilts bus drivers on a day out!

After the game we would always end in the pub around the corner from the ground called The Boleyn. It was where a lot of fans congregated for a post-match drink.

This was at the time of West Ham's ill-fated bond scheme where fans were expected to buy a season ticket for life. It was very unpopular and anyone connected with the club was subjected to a great deal of

abuse

On this particularly Saturday I got into an argument with a typical Hammers' fan whose devotion to the team was demonstrated by the initials WHUFC tattooed on the inside of his bottom lip.

I was trying to explain to the irate fan that we had nothing to do with the club, we just published its magazine. A scuffle broke out and I ended up being bundled out of the door onto the pavement.

Luckily for me, my driver Timmy, who could look after himself, was outside, saw what had happened and knocked the fan spark out with one blow.

When the guy got up from the pavement he thought I had delivered the knock-out blow which impressed him greatly. I spent the rest of the evening with a vice-like arm around me, with my new-found friend pouring numerous drinks into me. I did not think it was wise to spurn his generous nature.

On a number of occasions I was able to use our hospitality box to entertain a few friends who would travel up from Lyme and kip down at my flat. We would usually end up going 'Up West' to some seedy nightclub, stopping on the way for a drink at The Blind Beggar in Whitechapel, the pub where Ronnie Kray shot George Cornell.

The Lyme boys loved doing a tour of all the East End haunts where the Krays ruled supreme.

One of the papers I was responsible for was the East London Advertiser, the Krays' local paper. By the time I arrived in London the Krays had been incarcerated for some years but they still wrote regularly to the paper and my editor always used their letters. I wonder why?

The East London Advertiser covered one of the most violent areas in London. Few days went by without a stabbing or arson incident - and that was in the office!

The office was in Bethnal Green Road, just a few hundred yards from where Violet Kray lived.

On one occasion a rather unkempt looking chap came into the office and said he wanted to put a death notice in the paper.

The receptionist showed him page two where such notices



■ HERE I am in 1992 making a presentation to West Ham United chairman Terrence Brown with player Tony Gale in attendance

were published in an advertisement the size of a credit card.

But this gentleman (and I used the expression in its loosest sense) demanded to have a whole page.

It was explained to him that this would be very costly. He said he did not mind how much it cost and said he would return

the next day with the appropriate wording and the cash.

He was true to his word. He arrived and peeled off several hundred pounds in bullseye notes (bullseye being the cockney slang for a £50 note).

The death notice was for Violet Kray and the man in question was a former member of

the Kray gang who had been sent by the twins to see their mother was honoured.

Sat here at my desk in sunny Lyme Regis with views over The Cobb, those days seem a lifetime away. But I'm glad I experienced them. It gave me an affection for London which will never die.

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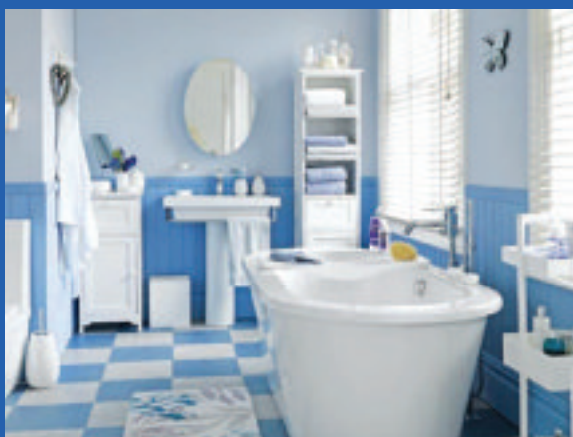






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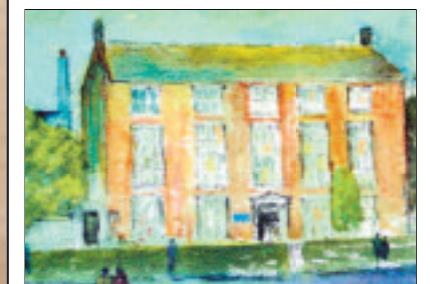
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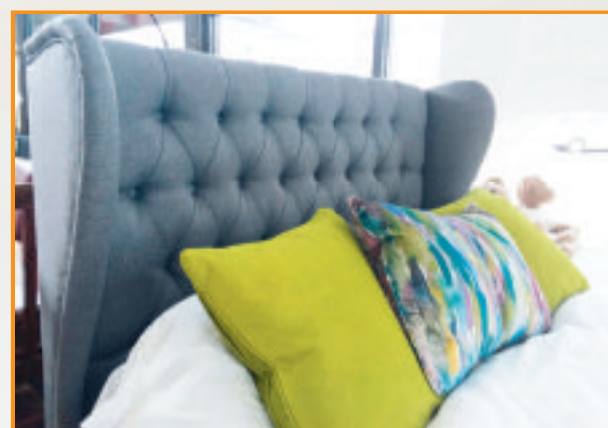


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# VIEW2



■ The Maxwell Quartet

## Taking it to the Maxwell

BRINGING bright young talent to rural audiences in Devon, Dorset and Somerset is what Concerts in the West is all about, and the May concert series, featuring the brilliant and exhilarating Maxwell Quartet, will certainly blow any residual winter cobwebs away.

These four young mu-

sicians, who met while they were still students at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in 2010, were Residency Artists for Enterprise Music Scotland 2011-2013, during which time they earned a reputation for delighting audiences during their Scottish concert tours. Reviews of their performances described them

as having 'panache and conviction (*Strathearn Herald*) and 'unaffected enthusiasm' (*North Highland Times*).

A packed concert diary has certainly kept the Quartet busy with an acclaimed series of the late Schubert Quartets at Perth Concert Hall in Scotland, as well as a season-long residency at St Anne's Col-

lege, Oxford. They have appeared at many festivals, too, including the Cottier Chamber Project, Lammernmuir Festival, BBC Chamber Music Proms and the SOUND Festival.

The Maxwell Quartet comprises Colin Scobie (violin), George Smith (violin), Elliott Perks (violin), and Duncan Strachan (cello).

Colin Scobie, who is already established as one of the most creative and compelling violinists and chamber musicians of his generation.

George Smith, who founded the Maxwell Quartet, is a top class violinist who performs across the UK and further afield as a chamber musician, soloist and Scots fiddle player.

Elliott Perks studied at the Yehudi Menuhin School, has taken part in numerous concerts as a soloist and chamber musician, performing in top London venues such as the Wigmore Hall and Royal Festival Hall.

Duncan Strachan began learning cello at the age of four and has since gone on to play as a soloist, performing concertos by Haydn, Schumann and Elgar.

The programme for the concerts features Ravel's String Quartet In F; Britten's String Quartet No 2 In C Op. 36; and Bartók's String Quartet No 4 Sz91.

The Maxwell Quartet perform at Hinton St George Church as part

of the village's festival on Thursday, May 4th at 7.30pm. Thursday 4 May 2017 7.30pm. Tickets are £15, available from the box office on 07500 532543 (BACS or cheque), by emailing [hintonstgeorgefestival@gmail.com](mailto:hintonstgeorgefestival@gmail.com), online at [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) or in person at Dorothy's Tea Room & Our Shop. Concessions for students and children. Parking in the village. Interval drinks. Disabled access.

The Quartet then play at Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, May 5th at 8pm. Tickets are £15 (Pre-concert supper at 7pm - advanced booking required £14) available from the box office on 01460 55783 9.30am-4.30pm Monday to Friday, or online at [www.themeetinghouse.org.uk](http://www.themeetinghouse.org.uk)

The final performance in the trio of evening concerts takes place on Saturday, May 6th at 7.30pm, at St Michael's, Haddon Road, Shute EX13 7QR (near Axminster). Tickets are £15 from Hurdons Stores, Kilminster 01297 33203, from The Archway Bookshop, Axminster EX123 5AQ; by calling 01297 33744, or online at [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk). You can also buy on the door. Concessions for students and children. Doors open 6.45pm. Parking nearby. Interval drinks. Disabled access.

## Duelling jazz

MODERN and mainstream jazz aficionados are in for a treat on Friday, April 28th, with the return of two of the UK's top jazz musicians to Ilminster Arts Centre. This highly anticipated concert pairs multi-awarding winner saxophonist Alan Barnes with Julian Stringle, one of the UK's top clarinetists, and teams them with the Craig Milverton Trio.

Julian Stringle was a child prodigy reed player, making his TV debut with Acker Bilk when he was just 14. He has played with a who's who of jazz illuminati, including Peanuts Hucko, Wild Bill Davison, Kenny Ball, Kenny Baker,

Cleo Laine and Sir John Dankworth, as well as artists as varied as Meatloaf and Tina Turner. Julian's highly melodic music and unique sound appeal to younger audience while his soul, original writing and phenomenal technique on his instrument excites the jazz buffs. In the view of Sir John Dankworth, Julian is "The best clarinetist to emerge in British jazz for decades".

Alan Barnes is a prolific international performer, composer, arranger, bandleader and touring soloist. He is best known for his work on clarinet, alto and baritone sax, where he combines a formidable virtuosity with a musical expression and collaborative spirit that have few peers. Alan Barnes's unique musicianship, indefatigable touring, and rapport with audiences have made him uniquely popular in British jazz. He has received over 25 British

Jazz Awards and has twice been BBC Jazz Musician of the Year.

"Barnes plays music that was radical 50 years ago but he infuses it with so much passion and energy you could believe it was minted on the spot, which is always part of the story with jazz" - *The Guardian*.

This will be a truly exciting evening, with the musicians playing a popular mix of classic jazz tunes, and the prospect of a fascinating clarinet duel very likely! Tickets are £18, and a pre-show supper is available for £14 at 7pm but must be pre-booked. Advance booking is strongly recommended - call the Box Office 01460 54973 or visit [www.themeetinghouse.org.uk](http://www.themeetinghouse.org.uk)



■ Julian Stringle



■ Alan Barnes

## According to Arthur

THE BEEHIVE in Honiton will host the 'delightful' family show *According to Arthur* as a part of the Spring Fair with the Thelma Hulbert Gallery and Toast, on Saturday, April 22nd at 3.30pm.

This is an inspirational and heart-warming tale of an old man who re-engages with the outside world, and the adventurous life he once led. Join Arthur on his search for the Moon

For those youngsters who went to the show workshop at Honiton Library, they soon realised what a wonderful piece of engaging, interactive theatre to expect with *According to Arthur*.

An ideal show for a first theatre experience, suitable for age 3+, adults will love it too! Tickets are adult £8, under 16s £6, family of four £25, from the box office on 01404 384050 or at [www.beehivehoniton.co.uk](http://www.beehivehoniton.co.uk).



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## UK Pink Floyd Experience ready to shine on again at Yeovil's Octagon

AFTER a sell-out show in 2016 UK Pink Floyd Experience will be making a welcome return to Yeovil's Octagon Theatre.

With two and a half hours' worth of songs from every iconic Floyd album, this show pleases Pink Floyd fans of all ages.

Bass player and vocalist David Power enthuses, "We are always pleased with the positive reaction to the show, it seems we leave audiences on a Pink Floyd high!"

Tickets are £20 (including a £1 ticket levy) available from [www.octagon-theatre.co.uk](http://www.octagon-theatre.co.uk) or by calling 01935 422884.



## Politically driven roots reggae folk-hop with a sly sense of humour



BILLY ROWAN, a.k.a. The Undercover Hippy, is definitely not your average singer songwriter. His music brings together soulful vocals, infectious reggae rhythms, and the lyrical delivery of a skilled mc. After seven years spent DJ'ing and MC'ing on the Drum & Bass circuit, Billy swapped the decks for a guitar and started out as a solo act in 2007. He now

plays with a full band, mixing guitars, keys, drums, bass, horns and backing vocals to create a high energy, interactive and highly entertaining live show.

Combining intelligent, amusing, and often politically charged lyrics with dangerously catchy hooks and a feel good groove, this is music for the thinking man to shake his arse

to. Think Jason Mraz meets The Cat Empire... on a protest march... at the Edinburgh Fringe.

Renowned for the electric atmosphere of their live shows, Billy and his band have performed at some of the UK's best festivals, including Glastonbury, Boomtown Fair, Shambala, Green Man, The Secret Garden Party, Ireland's Electric Picnic, and many more. As their last album *Monkey Suit*, released in late 2014, continued to clock up over a million streams and sales, the band have been touring relentlessly, with over 80 shows and festival appearances across the UK and Europe each year. Highlights have included headlining alongside The Cat Empire, Grandmaster Flash and The Skints at Eden Festival in Scotland, playing to 1000's of festival goers at Buskers Bern in Austria, and making a much anticipated debut appearance to a 2000 strong crowd at Boomtown Fair near Winchester.

In November 2016, the band took a step back from touring to focus on recording the new album "Truth & Fiction". Working with producer and engineer Dean Forrest (Backbeat Soundsystem, Easy Star Records) at Cube Studios in Cornwall, they laid down the groundwork for what looks to be their most accomplished piece of work to date. Since then, Billy has been locked away in his studio, writing and developing the recordings into finished songs, before finally working with grammy nominated mix engineer Dean Barratt (Natty, Shy FX, Anoushkar Shankar) to mix the tracks and really bring them to life. One of Billy's biggest strengths is the way he manages to pack his songs full of political and social commentary, whilst at the same time remaining playful and uplifting, and in this respect the new album does not disappoint. Covering topics from fake news, internet privacy and the U.S. election, to nappy wearing barristers and best friends trying to snog your mum, this album once again takes you on a rollercoaster of storytelling and thought provoking protest pieces.

The Undercover Hippy play at Exeter Phoenix on Sunday, May 7th, 8pm. Tickets are £10/£8, available online at [www.exeterphoenix.org.uk](http://www.exeterphoenix.org.uk) or by calling 01392 667080.

## Joseph Parsons to play Topsham

JOSEPH PARSONS is a prolific songwriter, recording artist and performer with over 20 commercial label releases. Both live and with his recordings, Joseph Parsons has always created his own unique sound. He brings a heart and soul to his songs through energy and emotional honesty, ranging from stories of people caught in hard times to uplifting songs of love and life.

Originally from the musical city of Philadelphia, Joseph Parsons has made his name by consistently delivering exceptional song driven albums alongside a rigorous touring schedule throughout Europe and the US.

Joseph Parsons plays at The Bridge Inn, Topsham Exeter on Saturday, April 22nd.



## Award-winning folk duo to play the David Hall

KATHRYN ROBERTS and Sean Lakeman return to The David Hall, South Petherton this Thursday, April 20th at 8pm.

The couple have long established themselves as one of the UK folk scene's most rewardingly enduring partnerships. Twice recent winners of the BBC Radio 2 Folk Award for Best Duo - 2016 & 2013 - the couple's intimacy and strength of passion on stage have won them many fans and an enviable reputation as 'Songwriters par excellence' - (fRoots), whose greatly varied original songs cover such subjects as wicked mermaids, Norwegian legends, and a lonely whale!

Tickets are £15 available by visiting the website at [www.thedavidhall.org.uk](http://www.thedavidhall.org.uk) or call 01460 240340



■ Sean Lakeman and Kathryn Roberts

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## TUESDAY APRIL 18TH

**AXMINSTER:** Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the United Reformed Church, Chard Road. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk. 11am-12.30pm.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

## WEDNESDAY APRIL 19TH

**SEATON:** Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit [www.jurassicfolkandjam.com](http://www.jurassicfolkandjam.com)

**CHARDSTOCK:** Gardening Club. Talk on Hostas, Heucheras and Hellebores by Martin Young. Plants and gardening books available to buy. 7.30pm, Chardstock Community Hall. All welcome. Non-members £2 at the door. Enquiries: 01460 221619.

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Bowling Club (West Street) sees the start of the season with the Opening of the Green at 6:16pm. New member will be most welcome - come and have a roll-up (weather permitting), bar will be open. More info available from secretary Bruce Murdoch on 01935 863209

**HONITON:** Honiton U3A will be meeting at The Beehive, Honiton on Wednesday 19th April when their speaker will be Peter Hood who will be giving a talk on 'Food through the Ages' - A gourmet and not so gourmet look at recipes from the past. (Will include a few samples). At The Beehive Centre, Dowell St., Honiton - Doors open at 1.30pm for a 2.00pm start. Members free and visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00). Further information: 01404 589008. Website: <http://u3asites.org.uk/honiton>

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway at Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email [waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk](mailto:waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk) for more details

**SEATON:** Discover Seaton Down Hillfort walk. Bill Horner, County Archaeologist will reveal what the bumps and humps tell us about the past of this little known Iron Age Hillfort. Legacy to Landscape project event. 2pm - 4pm, Free - No booking required. Parking at Seaton Tower layby, Seaton Down road, EX12 2TH (ST 233 913) [legacycyloland-scape@gmail.com](mailto:legacycyloland-scape@gmail.com); 01404 310012

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

**AXMINSTER:** Learn To Cook Healthily with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families) 11am-1pm. Join us for a free hands-on course of six sessions, including help with meal planning, understanding food labelling, cooking hints and tips to help make your life easier as a carer. You'll even receive a free meal to take home! At the Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place, or for more information, call Ros on 01297 631782 or email [admin@halff.org.uk](mailto:admin@halff.org.uk).

**ILMINSTER:** Meditation at the Minster St. Mary's Church. 20 minutes of silence. Wed. evening 7.00pm. Open to everyone regardless of prior experience, faith or beliefs

## THURSDAY APRIL 20TH

**CHARD:** Chard Camera Club Members will be given a presentation by local photographer Matilda Temperly on images of Floods, Fashion and Circus. Anyone interested in seeing this presentation should come to the location for 7.30pm on the night. Any further information can be obtained via their website [www.chardcameraclub.org.uk](http://www.chardcameraclub.org.uk) or by contacting the acting members secretary Mr Malcolm Brocklehurst on 01460 68616

**AXMINSTER:** All Saints Primary School PTFA bingo night at Cloakham Lawn. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Great prizes to be won. Raffle on the night. Everyone welcome!



# Charlie's ready to deliver a smoking hot selection of jazz favourites


DIVA, temptress and vocal sensation Charlie Bicknell is a force to be reckoned with and will be singing at the Marine Theatre Jazz Brunch in Lyme Regis on Sunday, April 23rd.

Charlie first became a household name playing Delilah in BBC2's *This Life*, and subsequently starred as Scout in Ben Elton's West End hit *Popcorn*. While continuing to work as an actress for the National Theatre and rep around the UK, Charlie developed a parallel career singing jazz and her own brand of dark comic cabaret for a number of years.

Described by *The Observer* as "always delighting...with an amazing voice," Charlie has worked with fabulous singers such as Marie Wilson, Earl Okin, Anita Wardell and Alison Limerick. She has sung at London jazz venues Pizza on the Park, The Pheasantry and Ronnie Scotts, an accolade she shares with Philip Clouts who will be accompanying her at the piano.

Internationally she has performed at venues in Australia, (notably the basement of Sydney Opera House and a giant car park in Adelaide!) Hong Kong, Copenhagen, Dubai, Abu Dhabi; but nowhere as cosmopolitan as the heady heights of Lyme Regis, England! Expect a smoking selection of jazz favourites.

Charlie Bicknell plays the Marine Theatre Jazz Brunch on Sunday, April 23rd, and is onstage: 11am-1pm (two sets with an interval). All tickets are £17, to include hot brunch and coffee/tea. A vegetarian option is available. Pre-booking is essential - call the box office on 01297 442138, or visit [www.marinetheatre.com](http://www.marinetheatre.com)



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**FENITON:** Feniton History Group talk on 'Medieval Rood Screens - their rise and their fall', with guest speaker Martin Horrell. At Feniton Church, 7.30pm. Admission £4 to include tea/coffee and biscuits.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.00am to 11.00am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non- members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

## FRIDAY APRIL 21st

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

**HINTON ST GEORGE:** An evening of ragtime, boogie woogie jazz featuring Mike Denham (keyboard) and Andy Dickens (trumpet and vocals) at St George's Hall, Meriot Road. Doors 7pm, music 7.30pm. Tickets £12 from OUR Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or by calling 07500 532543. Organised by Hinton Festival [www.hintonfestival.btck.co.uk](http://www.hintonfestival.btck.co.uk)

**CREWKERNE:** Bertie's Big Band Concert at St Bartholomew's Church, Crewkerne. Doors open 7:00pm for 7:30pm; tickets £12 or £14 on the door, (under 18's free); available from Crewkerne Town Hall or Liz 01460 271767. A Bar will be available

**CREWKERNE:** Special Lunch at Henhayes Centre - Roast Lamb, Fruit Crumble. Bar open at 12 noon, lunch at 12.30pm. £8.00 booking essential. Everyone welcome.

## FRIDAY APRIL 21st - MONDAY MAY 1st

**SIDMOUTH:** Art Exhibition by Peter Coates at Kennaway House. 10am-4.30pm daily. Pictures to make you smile!

## FRIDAY APRIL 21st & SATURDAY APRIL 22nd

**AXMINSTER:** Axminster Musical Theatre concert of West End and Broadway shows at Axminster Guildhall, 7.30pm. Tickets are available from the Archway Bookshop 01297 33595 or online from tickets.axmt.co.uk at £10 each. Seating is unreserved.

## SATURDAY APRIL 22nd

**COLYFORD:** Axe Valley Centre National Trust Spring Fair. Colyford Memorial Hall 10.30am - 1.00pm. Cakes & Produce, Books, Bric-a-brac, Crafts & Plants, Raffle & Bottle Tombola. Sidmouth National Trust Shop stall. Admission £1 to include refreshments.

## SUNDAY APRIL 23rd

**SIDMOUTH:** Pete Allen's Reeds n Rhythms with Ben Holder (violin). At Kennaway House Cellar Bar. Featuring Pete Allen (clarinet), James Clemas (piano), Richie Bryant (drums), Dave Hanratty (bass). £13.50 on the door. 3-5.30pm (doors 2pm). Licensed bar, light snacks available. Car parking nearby.

## MONDAY APRIL 24th

**AXMINSTER:** Axminster Carnival Bingo at Axminster Guildhall. Doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

**MISTERTON:** Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Every Monday.

**AXMINSTER:** A Street Cat Named Bob - Our Movie on Monday in the Bradshaw Meeting Room, Thomas Whitty House, Silver Street, Axminster, Devon, EX13 5AH doors open 1:30 for a 2:00pm start. Tickets just £4 can be booked in advance on 01404 831207 Light refreshments available after the film.

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non- members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**ILMINSTER:** Morning Meditation at the Minster St. Mary's Church. 20 minutes of silence Weekly 8:10a.m. Mon. Wed. Fri.

## TUESDAY APRIL 25th

**SEATON:** Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 11am-1pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure and modified diets (eg puree/fork mashable). New venue The Marshlands Centre, Harbour Road, Seaton, EX12 2LT. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email [laura@halff.org.uk](mailto:laura@halff.org.uk).

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Nicky Sweetland's

# Showtime

ON THE SHOWBIZ BEAT

## Even Alfie Boe's rigid performance can't get me down!

IT'S INTERESTING the things that get us all het up. You come across grumpy people all the time, who get heated over the most mundane things. I've not had the greatest couple of weeks myself, but I've definitely mellowed with age and have been able to keep a smile on my face, virtually non-stop.

I'm of the opinion that you need to count your blessings and try your

best to find the funny side to minor annoyances. I actually said to someone this week "You could do with a real tragedy to put things into perspective." Of course, I don't wish ill of anyone, but the state some people get themselves is really quite perplexing.

I even managed to not vent my spleen when one of my resident teenagers came home a little worse for wear and took a wee

in the laundry basket. I merely stayed calm, laughed it off and let it go.

I find the theatre is a hotbed of intolerance however and when the majority of the theatergoing public is of the more mature persuasion, the fury factor is further intensified. It also seems the classier the event, the greater number of incensed patrons it attracts and I'm not sure if it's because the expectations



■ Alfie Boe and Katherine Jenkins in *Carousel*. Photo by Tristram Kenton

are higher or simply because the clientele are just really high maintenance.

There was a high percentage of that ilk at the London Coliseum this week for the press night of *Carousel*. All red faced and steamy, getting cross about their drinks, seats and programmes. The only thing that got my goat was Alfie Boe's irksome performance. Wearing a wig that resembled an obese ferret, the world famous tenor was almost robotic in his movements and the term 'wooden' doesn't really suffice to explain how rigid he was, as even a plank can be partly pliable. The show is bitterly disappointing notwithstanding the musical performances being topnotch.

One woman you couldn't describe as wooden, despite her recent depiction of the Wardrobe in Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*

however, is Audra McDonald. The multi Tony Award winner thrilled audiences last week with her solo show at the Leicester Square Theatre and it was a joy to attend.

I was also privileged to be invited to a rehearsal for the forthcoming tour of *The Addams Family* musical, which is to star Samantha Womack, Les Dennis and Carrie Hope Fletcher. From the bit I watched, it looks like the show is going to be a winner and the cast were absolutely delightful to interview.

I'm off to the charity

screening of the final episode of *Broadchurch* next week at the Electric Palace in Bridport and having thoroughly enjoyed this series, I'm looking forward to meeting the writer.

I'm taking a break from work, but as an insatiable theatre addict, I'm still heading to see some of my favourite shows and will see *Wicked* for the 24th time, *Kinky Boots* for the 9th and *The Girls* for just the second time. I've also got some celebrity interviews to do, so I'll spend my 'week off' doing what I love.



■ Samantha Womack, Nicky Sweetland and Les Dennis at a rehearsal for *The Addams Family*.

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# Diary Dates

## TUESDAY APRIL 25TH

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.  
**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

## WEDNESDAY APRIL 26TH

**SEATON:** Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by David Duke with advice on legal matters. 10 am at Seaton Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome - come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297 21872 for more information.

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details.

**COLYFORD:** An illustrated talk and exhibits on the discovery of The Seaton Down Hoard, speaker Thomas Cadbury of RAMM, Exeter. Come along and also meet the local man who discovered it, and find out more about this nationally important find. At Colyford Memorial Hall. Presented by Colyton Parish History Society. 7.30pm, Members £1, Non-Members £2 refreshments included.

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society monthly talk in Uplyme Village Hall, 7.30pm. "What to do with an overgrown garden", given by a speaker from the Gardens Group - so if the garden has already got away this Spring, this may help! There will also be the Chairman's Bulb competition - bring along a pot of flowering bulbs, or a vase of flowers from bulbs, to show how well you have done this year. Tea and coffee, plus biscuits, will be available to buy - members free, visitors £3.  
**CREWKERNE:** Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

**ILMINSTER:** Meditation at the Minster St. Mary's Church. 20 minutes of silence. Wed. evening 7.00pm. Open to everyone regardless of prior experience, faith or beliefs

## THURSDAY APRIL 27TH

**ILMINSTER:** Heritage of the Ile Trust Annual Meeting at the Shrubbery Hotel, 7.30pm. After the short AGM there will be a slide show presentation and talk by Robin Gilbert from the South West Airfields Trust which will include when and why Merrifield Aerodrome was built and how important it was in WW2. A further slideshow and display of old photographs will continue during the Buffet. The cost is £10pp which includes the optional buffet (£8) and annual membership of £2. For further details please contact Rowland Garland on 0146052673 or Allan White on 0146053928

**COLYTON:** English Civil War Costume Evening - come along and find out what Colyton townsfolk will be wearing for the 10th June historical community event. Costumes, information sheets, advice - all welcome. 6-8 pm at Sunday School, St Andrews Church in Colyton. More Information - 01297 552626

**HONITON:** Honiton Probus Club. A talk by Christine Wallach B.sc an experienced speaker recently moved to the South West. 1130 for 1200 at The Heathfield Inn. The Honiton Probus Club is open to retired or semi-retired men. New members/prospective members welcome - come and give us a try. Please contact Mike Underdown on 01404 234195 for more information.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.00am to 11.00am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

## FRIDAY APRIL 28TH

**SEATON:** Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30-12.30. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. New venue

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# The first ladies of jazz

ILMINSTER Arts Centre invites you to spend an evening with the first ladies of jazz on Friday, April 21st, when top UK jazz vocalist Lee Gibson will be performing the songs of the jazz divas Ella Fitzgerald, Peggy Lee and Sarah Vaughan, accompanied by the Martin Dale Quartet, the most popular saxophone small group in the South West.

Lee Gibson is a world-class singer who regularly performs with the BBC Big Band and the BBC Concert Orchestra, including sessions on 'Friday Night is Music Night'. She has sung at seven Royal Variety Shows, and appears regularly with her own trio and quartet at major jazz venues including the 606 Club, Ronnie Scotts and Pizzaz on the Park. A popular performer in Europe, Lee has also recorded and starred with The Netherlands Metropole Orchestra in Holland, The UMO Jazz Orchestra in Finland, The WDR Band and The Francy Boland Band in Germany and the Danish Radio Band in Denmark.

Martin Dale is one of the busiest saxophonists in the South West, with his own quartet and as a guest soloist in many others. He is a member of the London based groups "Sax Appeal" and "Jack Bruce Blues Experience". Martin's Plymouth based band has worked with Jim Mullen, Bruce Adams, Digby Fairweather and Peter King to name but a few. Martin has worked on the Q.E.2 as lead alto player, backing such artists as Neil Sedaka, Petula Clark, and Tom Jones and has recorded for the BBC on radio and television sound tracks.

Lee and Martin's combination of song and saxophone promises a musical treat of the highest order. They play at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, April 21st at 8pm. Tickets are £14, and a preshow supper is available for £14 at 7pm but must be pre-booked. To book your place, contact the Box Office on 01460 54973.

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**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

**TATWORTH:** Film: 'A United Kingdom' (cert 12a). At Tatworth Memorial Hall. Doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call 01460 220339.

**ILMINSTER:** Somerset Wildlife Trust Ilminster/Chard group:- "A year in the life of the RSPCA Wildlife and Rehabilitation Centre at West Hatch". Arminel Scott a Wildlife Supervisor at the centre will give an overview of the species, average numbers of annual admissions, seasonal orphans, their support and releases. RSPCA West Hatch is the country's specialist oiled bird rehabilitation centre. 7.30pm Parish Hall, North St, TA19 0DG. Members £2, non-members £3, no charge for children. Refreshments available. The meeting will be followed by a short AGM.

**CREWKERNE:** Concert at Henhayes Centre with Justin Daish on Guitar. Bar open 6pm. Supper at 6.30pm & Concert £18, Concert only at 7.45pm £10. Supper must be pre-booked.

## SATURDAY APRIL 29TH

**SOUTH PETHERTON:** Thai Supper Club from 6.30pm. Frogmary Green Farm, South Pether-ton, TA13 5DJ. For more information please phone 01460 242775 or visit our website www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

**CREWKERNE:** Breakfast/Brunch at Henhayes Centre, 10 - 12noon (last order 11.30am) Basic breakfast £4.00, extras available at 50p each. Everyone welcome, no need to pre-book.

**LYME REGIS:** Local Crafts and Collectables at the Baptist Church Hall, Silver Street. From 10.30am. Free admission. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. Supporting FORCE Cancer Charity. For more details call 01297 445232.

## SUNDAY APRIL 30TH

**COLYTON:** Axe Vale Point to Point Race Day with pony races at mid day followed by horse racing at 1.30pm. A great family day out, food & beer tents, stalls, on course betting. £10pp or £25 per car. Stafford Cross (nr Seaton) on A3052 EX24 6HZ

## MONDAY MAY 1st

**SEATON:** Seaton & District Memory Cafe, first Monday every month at Seaton Methodist Church (EX12 2ST) 2-4pm. For more details call 07827 813776.

**SEATON:** Seaton Royal British Legion Street Market on the seafront.

**AXMOUTH:** May Day Celebration at Combe Farm, Axmouth EX12 4AU from 2-5pm Dance round the Maypole with live music, sing in the Spring, walk the Spiral amid the apple blossom, enjoy Storytelling & Face Painting, visit our Community Woodland Orchard, explore the library in the Sanctuary, buy some second-hand books, receive some healing and of course enjoy our wonderful teas, cakes and the famous nettle scones! Entrance £1, children free. Contact Christina Bows on 01297 23822 for further information or visit thespiralcenre.wordpress.com

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

## TUESDAY MAY 2nd

**CHARD:** Chard Camera Club will be away at Mid Somerset in an inter club competition of Digitally Projected Images.

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## WEDNESDAY MAY 3rd

**SEATON:** Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 5403, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com



# Pulman's Property View

The key to finding your perfect home



## HOPPEN TO IT

By Gabrielle Fagan, Press Association

"CREATING a sense of theatre is essential in any living space," declares Kelly Hoppen, and the dramatic settings in her home, a converted auction house in central London, amply prove her point.

"I bought the building as a shell with nothing but a floor, an impressively high ceiling and the structural columns," she says proudly, gesturing at the vast open-plan living area which runs from an entrance hall at one end through to the study at the other, with living and dining areas in between.



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The space is decorated in her signature shades of taupe and white. "I'm not frightened of colour, but neutrals are who I am. It's worked as my signature colourway for 40 years and I'll continue the Hoppen style," she insists.

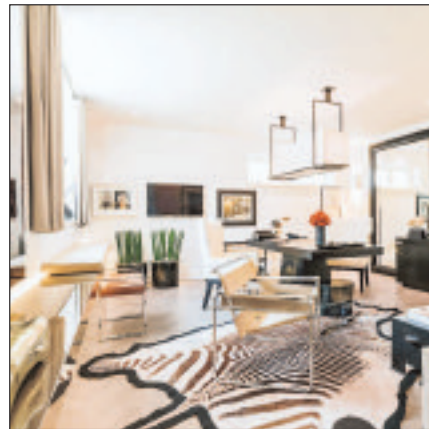
"I passionately believe a palette of neutrals - whether taupe, sand or cream based - can provide a serene and harmonious backdrop, against which to layer the colour and activity in your life. I like the way they make me feel, as much as they way they look.

"But whichever family of neutrals I choose to work with on a project, textural contrast is always absolutely key, to add richness, depth and character," she adds. Personality abounds throughout the home. The glamorous master bathroom - "probably my favourite room" - has a marble bath, set on an under-lit plinth, whose shape's inspired by a lotus flower.

"I also love our study, which is similar to a collector's room, housing a history of the old auction house as well as books, art and objects," she confides. "I still believe open-plan is essential to the way we live. I love using glass partitions if I want to create in-

timid areas and add depth."

Her distinctive style philosophy has won her a portfolio of A-list clients, including David and Victoria Beckham - and now she reveals her decor secrets, and the wisdom that's helped make her internationally renowned, in her beautifully illustrated book, *House Of Hoppen*.

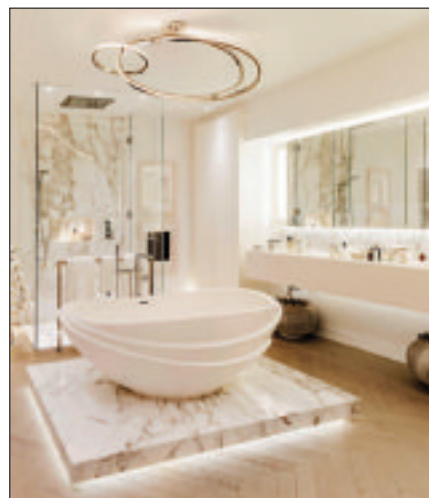


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Only 13 when she realised she wanted to be an interior designer, taking on her first project three years later, Hoppen, 57, began her career extraordinarily young. "By the time I was 17, I'd bought and done up my own apartment in London's Chelsea, as well as setting up an office there," she recalls.

"Back then, everything came from a real intrigue and experience, rather than just opening a book and copying from it, which is what I feel people do today. My own style evolved in an organic way - it was intuitive."

She has a cautious approach to trends which she believes should be used as a guide, rather than a rule, as if they're too slavishly followed they can easily date an interior. "What's important is creating timeless and understated elegance in your home, and to plan before you start designing the space. Times have changed and people want sustainable and modern lux-



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ury, while holding on to pieces that will last the test of time," she says.

"The recession has had a big impact on the way people are living their lives and their core values. It's that juxtaposition between the old and new that will play an important role in the future."

### HOPPEN'S DECOR TIPS

**COLOUR UP:** Splashes of burgundy, dark grey, pastel pink, emerald green, and burnt orange will be the shades of this year.

**EDGY MIX:** An industrial look in design has made a comeback. "Using industrial materials, such as concrete, will automatically inject an urban feel into your home no matter what the location. This versatile material looks incredible contrasted with metals and textures. Mix it up with antiques which will shock and contrast beautifully with this sleek look."

**WAKE UP WALLS:** "Wallpaper should be a wonderful, luxurious piece of texture, which draws you in but at the same time is a backdrop to whatever style you choose for your home," explains Hoppen.

"We've seen an increase in patterned and textured wallpaper which will continue this year. Look out for lots of bold, colourful prints as well as geometric shapes, splatters and messy patterns, a la artist Jackson Pollock. Retro-style tiles will also be huge for walls." Give one wall a facelift for an easy spring update. Kelly Hoppen Splatter Gold Wallpaper, £23 a roll, Graham & Brown ([www.grahamandbrown.com](http://www.grahamandbrown.com)).

**NATURE NOTES:** Bringing nature into the home is absolutely key, Hoppen declares. "I love organic trees which grow indoors, and Sixties-style plants such as palm trees and rubber plants, which are enjoying a revival. Place fresh flowers in every room for an instant spring uplift. Display in clear bowls - which could also be filled with flowers or sand - and are ideal centre pieces or focal points on tables." Clear Glass Globe Top Band Bowl, £39, Kelly Hoppen ([www.kellyhoppen.com](http://www.kellyhoppen.com)).

**LIGHTEN UP:** Create a lighter feeling for spring by substituting curtains and loose covers in heavy fabrics for more delicate alternatives, such as sheers and cottons. Use mirrors throughout the home where possible. They can double the effect of nat-

ural daylight and create an illusion that a space is larger and brighter than in reality.

**FLOOR SHOW:** Different materials and effects will make floors the star of homes this year, Hoppen predicts. "Retro tiles paired with wood, herringbone flooring matched with ceramic tiles, and old wooden floors mixed with stone will be just a few of the new pairings.

"Bespoke wood colour will also be a big hit. The wood flooring in my London home is full of subtle warm tones and took six months to perfect. It was like going to the hairdresser and finding the perfect shade. Another popular trend will be photographic tiles - imagery on tiles - which can be show-stopping."

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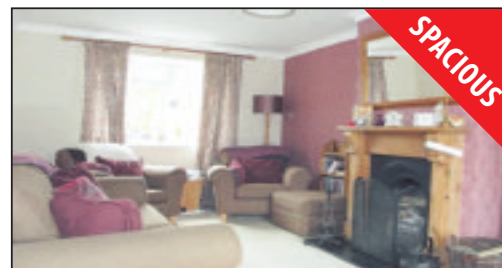


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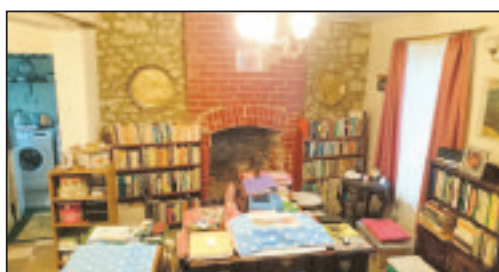
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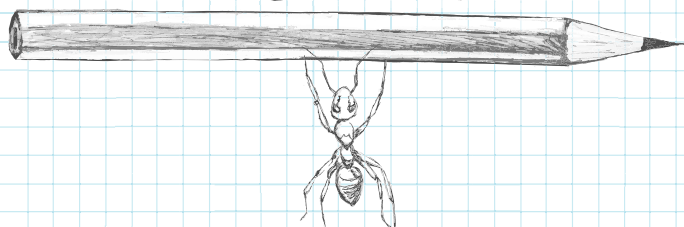
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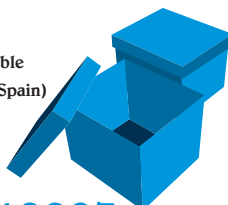
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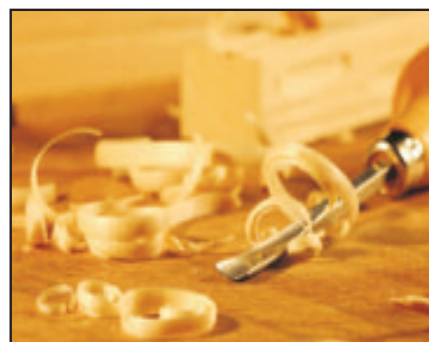
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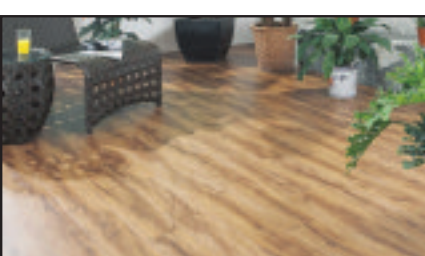
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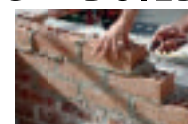
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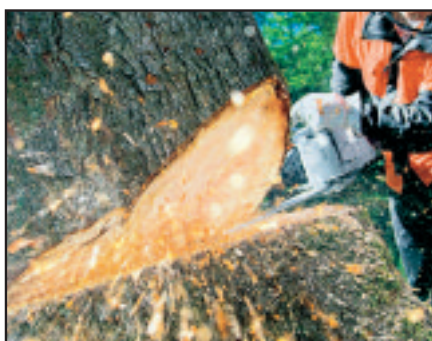
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THE revised and updated Golf is in Volkswagen Retailers across the UK now. Refreshed styling and advanced technology keep the car at the head of its class and with a new deposit contribution, it's more appealing to customers than ever before.

Volkswagen's Retailer network is offering a £1,000 deposit contribution at 4.9 % APR representative for customers taking advantage of a Volkswagen Financial Services' Solutions 'Personal Contract Plan' on all models of the new Golf hatchback. That includes the iconic Golf GTI and the car that sits at the cutting edge of vehicle design, the plug-in hybrid Golf GTE.

All updated Volkswagen Golfs have LED running lights at the front and full LED rear lights. These sit above the re-profiled front and rear bumpers that develop the Golf's mature exterior styling. Fresh body colours and all-new alloy wheel designs complete the look of the latest Golf.

Included in the comprehensive engine line-up is Volkswagen's new 1.5-litre turbocharged EVO engine that uses clever Active Cylinder Management technology to shut the engine down during coasting, thus saving fuel. This engine is available in 130 PS BlueMotion specification and as a 150 PS unit.

This mix of styling and technology

comes together inside the Golf's cabin. The infotainment screens are now larger across the whole range, with every Golf featuring a colour touchscreen that is at least eight-inches across. Available as an option is the 9.2-inch Discover Navigation Pro infotainment system, which features voice control and gesture control amongst a range of other functions and features.

By offering gesture control Volkswagen is bringing this technology to the compact car class for the first time. This continues Volkswagen's tradition of making the latest technology available to all. This started decades ago when features such as Anti-lock Brakes (1986), airbags (1992) and Electronic Stability Control (1999) came to the Golf.

The Volkswagen Polo brings additional outstanding value to Volkswagen Retailers this spring thanks to an extended deposit contribution of £1,800 at 6.2 % APR for customers taking advantage of Volkswagen Financial Services' Solutions 'Personal Contract Plan.' The classy Polo range starts at just £11,970 and with the deposit contribution factored in the model is eminently affordable.

Despite the small price tag, every Polo comes with a strong list of standard equipment, including a five-inch colour touchscreen, DAB digital

radio, electric front windows and power steering.

Diversity is apparent throughout the range, for example a powerful subwoofer and a variety of speakers engineered by Californian audio specialists Beats Electronics carve a niche for the Polo beats. Unique bumpers, 16-inch alloy wheels and 'Race' seats set the Polo R-Line apart from the rest of the line-up.

The economical Polo BlueMotion has CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of just 98 g/km and has a combined fuel consumption figure of 67.3 mpg. In contrast, the Polo GTI packs a 192 PS punch and reaches 62 mph, from a standstill, in just 6.7 seconds. With this extensive line-up, there's a Polo for everyone.

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The Tiguan range is topped with the SEL and R-Line trims, both of which feature a £1,000 deposit contribution, also at 5.1 % APR' representative on Solutions PCP.

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# Sport - East Devon round-up

with Howard Larcombe

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football the local round-up

## Premier title race set to go to the wire

Beer stun in form Okehampton as superb run goes on - Murrell double sends Farway through to Final

### football tables

SW Peninsula D1E (34)Pld Pts	
Teignmouth	33 70
Stoke Gabriel	31 68
Newton Abbot Spurs	33 65
Appledore	32 64
Brixham AFC	33 61
AXMINSTER TOWN	33 57
Torriseside	33 54
Crediton Ltd	32 53
Exeter University	30 45
St Martins	33 43
Sidmouth Town	33 43
Alphington	34 41
Bovey Tracey	33 35
Galmpton Utd	34 33
Liverton Utd	33 33
Totnes & Dartington	31 26
Budleigh Salterton	30 22
Exwick Villa	31 18

D&E Premier (28) Pld Pts	
Honiton Town	26 63
Newtown	24 57
Elmore	23 52
Okehampton Argyle	27 51
Heavitree Utd	23 44
Seaton Town	26 40
Beer Albion	24 37
Topsham Town	27 35
Feniton	24 34
Uptonery	26 28
Clyst Valley	27 28
Exmouth Amateurs	24 27
Newton St Cyres	28 26
Hatherleigh Town	28 19
Bow AAC	25 4

D&E Div 1 (20) Pld Pts	
Cronies FC (C)	20 53
Exeter University Res	19 38
Exmouth Town Res	20 35
Sidmouth Town Res	19 31
Wetheridge Reserves	17 31
Lyme Regis	20 29
Colyton	20 27
Wellington Reserves	20 16
Alphington Reserves	20 15
Willand Rovers Res	20 14
Bickleigh	19 9

D&E Div 2 (26) Pld Pts	
Lapford	23 58
Cullumpton Rang Res	23 53
University 3rds	23 41
Heavitree Utd Res	22 39
Chagford	20 38
Dawlish Utd	23 38
Axmouth Utd	23 32
Woodbury	21 31
Budleigh Town	23 28
Halwill	22 24
Newtown Reserves	24 23
Tipton St John	24 22
Lympstone	23 22
Budleigh Salt Res	26 13*

D&E Div 3 (20) Pld Pts	
Perry Street (C)	20 53
Exeter Univ 4ths	19 44
Bampton	19 39
Axminster Town Res	20 35
Honiton Town Res	20 30
East Budleigh	20 29
Newton Poppleford	20 24
Tedburn St Mary	20 23
Clyst Valley Reserves	20 16
Exmouth Amat Res	20 16*
Culm Utd	20 4

D&E Div 4 (24) Pld Pts	
Kentisbeare (C)	23 63
Thorverton	22 55
Uplowman Athletic	24 48
Exeter Univ 5ths	24 40
Ottery St Mary	24 36
Priory	23 32
Sandford	24 32
Countess Wear Dyn	22 30
Pinhoe	24 30
Ottertton	24 30
Morchard Bishop	24 15*
St Martins Reserves	23 13
Sampford Peverell	23 10

D&E Div 5 (24) Pld Pts	
Royal Oak (C)	23 67
Crediton Utd Res	22 57
Whipton & Pinhoe	23 50
Winchester	24 48
Millway Rise	24 34
South Zeal Utd	24 27*
North Tawton	24 27
Newton St Cyres	24 25
Feniton Reserves	23 23
Beer Albion Reserves	22 22
Starcross Generals	23 22
Alphington 3rds	24 16*
Awliscombe Utd	22 12

### Match reports Okehampton Argyle 1 Beer Albion 2

Devon &amp; Exeter Premier

BEER Albion's great run of form continues as they pulled off a fabulous 2-1 victory at Okehampton Argyle on Saturday, writes Richard Honnor.

The fourth-placed Okies were previously unbeaten in 14 games and their most recent scalp had been title-chasing Newton whom they thrashed 6-1 last Thursday.

So this was a magnificent result and the Fishermen fully deserved their victory.

Beer's win was based on the formula that has worked so successfully for them in this campaign - a strong defence, a potent goal threat and teamwork. The latter quality was in abundance on Saturday and it would be hard to pick out one individual, but player-boss Richard Walker's all-round contribution was outstanding.

Okehampton, full of confidence, made the early running and Beer were allowing their skilful front players too much space to shoot in and around the penalty box.

But keeper Mark Rooke was in commanding form made two early saves to keep his side on level terms.

The Fishermen gradually settled and on 10 minutes centre back Joe Adkin headed home from Simon Smith's corner but was adjudged to have fouled the Okehampton keeper in the process.

The Okies always looked dangerous going forward, in contrast, their defence looked vulnerable through the entire game against the Fishermen's twin strike force of Walker and Chris Long.

After Walker had gone close, there was a moment of controversy on 17 minutes when Long's effort from 15 yards was fumbled by Okies keeper and appeared to have crossed the line before being clawed to safety. But the goal was not given.

As the half progressed there was action at both ends. In the 24th minute Walker's effort was thwarted by the Okies keeper, then Rooke saved a swerving effort with his legs, followed by Adkin again getting on the end of Smith corner but volleying over.

But Beer went behind on 37 minutes when they failed to close out a swift Okehampton break and the ball was fired home from the edge of the penalty box.

The Fishermen started the second half sluggishly and passed the initiative to the home side by giving the ball away too easily. But the Okies' defence looked vulnerable when Beer countered and on 55 minutes midfielder Alex Hunt found Luke Bartlett with a through pass but Bartlett was unable to force the ball past the keeper.

Beer were now getting on top and two minutes later, wing back George Harwood and Long combined to provide a great chance for Walker who got be-

hind Okies defence but his attempted lob was clutched by the home keeper.

But the Fishermen deservedly equalised on the hour. Walker intercepted a poor pass and threaded the ball through to Long who beat the Okies keeper from 12 yards with an expert finish.

Chances continued to come and go at both ends until the 79th minute when Joe Adkin scored a fine winner for the Fishermen. The Okehampton keeper could only palm out another deep, inswinging Smith corner to the Beer centre back who volleyed in from an acute angle.

The game erupted three minutes later when Okehampton's had a player sent off by referee Julie Knight for retaliation following a high challenge from Beer substitute Jacob Clode. Clode was yellow-carded for the foul.

The Okies were reduced to nine men, five minutes later when their substitute was dismissed for abusive language to referee Knight after an offside call went against the home side. Despite being down to nine, the home side threw everything at Beer in the final 10 minutes but the Fishermen held on for a fully deserved three points.

Beer have a tough run-in, including away games at championship contenders Honiton and Newtown and on current form they could have a big say in which of these sides wins the trophy.

Next Wednesday they travel to Feniton hoping to reverse the home 4-1 defeat suffered earlier this season.

On Saturday, Beer Reserves complete their home fixtures against Awliscombe United. Kick-Off at the Furzebrake is at 3pm and the match sponsor is Beer Village Stores.

### D&E Round-up

with Howard Larcombe

A BEN Ashford goal salvaged a point and kept Honiton Town on course for their first ever Devon & Exeter League Premier Division title.

But visitors Elmore, who themselves are still in with a chance of getting their hands on the silverware, left Mountbatten Park clutching their valuable point leaving the Hippos still probably needing to win both of their two remaining fixtures to finish as top dogs.

### Remaining fixtures:

**Honiton Town:** H v Beer Albion (Saturday, April 22nd), H v Exmouth Amateurs (Saturday, April 29th).

**Newtown:** H v Okehampton (Wednesday, April 19th), H v Feniton (Saturday, April 22nd), H v Bow AAC (Wednesday, April 26th), H v Beer Albion (Saturday, April 29th).

**Elmore:** H v Exmouth Amateurs (Wednesday, April 19th), A v Heavitree Utd (Saturday, April 22nd), H v Clyst Valley (Wednesday, April 26th), A v Bow AAC (Saturday, April 29th), H v Feniton (Wednesday, May 3rd).



■ **GOAL:** Lyme Regis Reserves' midfielder Steve Batey (16) heads a corner down and through the legs of Dunkeswell Rovers' keeper Will Cowley to put the Seasiders 5-0 up.

Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

Meanwhile, Seaton Town trailed 1-0 at Hatherleigh Town before bouncing back to record a battling 4-3 win with goals from Josh French, Matt Hancock, Jacob Rowe and Seth Wakeley.

Down in DIVISION THREE striker Tom Perry bagged five goals as Perry Street celebrated their title win in fine style with a 9-1 hammering of hosts Newton Poppleford. Billy Sheahan (2), Ben Smith and Steve Every had the others for 'Street.

Over at the Davey Fort Lyme Regis Reserves remain firmly in the mix for the DIVISION SIX promotion places after destroying Dunkeswell 8-0. Steve Batey (2), Julien Simier (2), Dec Ellis, Sam Bevis, Ryan Fifer and an OG made up the Seasiders' goal tally.

Meanwhile, goals from Warren Gabbidon, Kamil Wilk, Renato Silva and Igor Costa in a 4-0 win at Seaton Town Reserves secured the DIVISION SEVEN title for new boys Ilminster Town Reserves.

### Midweek results

Wednesday, April 12th

Gosworthy Cup QF  
Ottery St Mary 0 Ottertton 1 (Matt Lidstone)

### PREMIER

Topsham Town 0 Heavitree Utd 2  
DIVISION SIX  
Central 6 Stoke Hill 3  
DIVISION SEVEN  
Bickleigh Res 2 Cheriton Fitzpaine 1

### Thursday, April 13th

DEVON PREMIER CUP  
Chaddlewood Inn 0 Royal Oak 3  
PREMIER  
Okehampton Arg 6 Newtown 1

### Saturday, April 15th

BILL SLEE CUP SF  
Thorverton 1 Dawlish Utd 3

### PREMIER

Bow AAC 2 Clyst Valley 4  
Hatherleigh Town 3 Seaton Town 4  
Honiton Town 1 Elmore 1  
Okehampton Arg 1 Beer Albion 2  
Topsham Town 4 Exmouth Amateurs 2  
DIVISION ONE  
Alphington Res 0 Witheridge Res 2  
Exmouth Town Res 2 Sidmouth Res 0

Wellington Res 1 Bickleigh 0  
DIVISION TWO  
Heavitree Utd Res 1 Cullumpton Res 4  
Lapford 6 Halwill 1  
Lympstone 0 Woodbury 1  
Tipton St John 0 Dawlish 1

### DIVISION THREE

Newton Poppleford 1 Perry Street 9  
Feniton Res 4 Whipton & Pinhoe 4  
Royal Oak 4 Winchester 2

### DIVISION SIX

Elmore Res 2 Winkleigh 3  
Exwick Village 3 Stoke Hill 1  
Halwill Res 4 Hatherleigh Res 2  
Hemock 1 Central FC 3  
Lyme Regis Res 8 Dunkeswell Rovers 0

### DIVISION SEVEN

Bickleigh Res 3 Exmouth Spartans 1  
Seaton Town Res 0 Ilminster Town Res 4  
Woodbury Res 4 Cheriton Fitzpaine 4  
DIVISION EIGHT  
Uptonery Res 5 Sandford Res 0

### FIXTURES

Last night (Monday)

### PREMIER

Heavitree Utd v Exmouth Amateurs,  
Topsham Town v Seaton Town.  
DIVISION TWO  
Axmouth Utd v Tipton St John,  
Chagford v Heavitree Utd Res,  
Halwill v Lympstone,  
Woodbury v Dawlish.  
DIVISION FIVE  
Crediton Utd Res v Starcross Generals.  
DIVISION EIGHT  
Uptonery Res v Amory Green Rovers.

### Wednesday, April 19th

GEARY CUP SEMI FINAL  
Uptonery Res v Cheriton Fitzpaine  
PREMIER  
Feniton v Beer Albion,  
Newtown v Okehampton Arg,  
Elmore v Exmouth Amateurs.

### Thursday, April 20th

DEVON SENIOR CUP FINAL  
Cronies FC v Roselands  
(at Coach Road - 7.30pm)

### Friday, April 21st

DIVISION ONE  
Witheridge Res v Bickleigh (7pm)

### Saturday, April 22nd

BILL SLEE SEMI FINAL  
Tedburn St Mary v Heavitree Utd  
FOOTBALL EXPRESS CUP SF  
Central FC v North Tawton  
GEARY CUP SEMI-FINAL  
Exmouth Spartans v Bravehearts

### PREMIER

Heavitree Utd v Elmore  
Honiton Town v Beer Albion  
Newtown v Feniton

DIVISION TWO  
Axmouth Utd v Lapford  
Cullumpton Res v Dawlish Utd  
Dawlish Town v Tipton St John  
Lympstone v Chagford  
Woodbury v Halwill

### DIVISION FOUR

Countess Wear v Sampford Peverell  
Thorverton v Priory  
Newton Popp'd Res

### DIVISION FIVE

Beer Albion Res v Awliscombe Utd  
Crediton Utd Res v Feniton Res  
Whipton & Pinhoe v Royal Oak

### DIVISION SIX

Elmore Res v Stoke Hill  
Halwill Res v Winkleigh  
Hatherleigh Res v Exwick Village  
Lyme Regis Res v Hemock  
Tipton Park v Dunkeswell Rovers

### DIVISION SEVEN

Bickleigh Res v Wellington 3rds  
Colyton Res v Woodbury Res  
Sidmouth Town Res v Seaton Town Res  
DIVISION EIGHT  
Sandford Res v Bampton Res

### Monday, April 24th

DIVISION TWO  
Newtown Res v Heavitree Utd Res  
DIVISION SIX  
Elmore Res v Silvertown

### Tuesday, April 25th

DIVISION TWO  
Woodbury v Cullumpton Res

### PERRY STREET LEAGUE

**TOMMY TABBERER CUP SF**  
Farway Utd 4

**Winsham Utd Res 3**

FAWRWAY United reached the Tommy Tabberer Cup final for the first time in 37 years at a windy Eastlee Park.

The hosts, 2-0 in front at half time, led all the way, but were grateful to a fine penalty save by keeper Phil Woodley to dent Ian Hilton his second spot kick goal of the game at 2-2.

With six minutes remaining Farway scored twice and John Allen's late goal counted for little. Corey Sutherland scored the hosts' other goal with Jack Murrell (2), Matt Reed and Brad King on target for the Devonians.

Note: CHARMOUTH have been awarded a place in the Tommy Tabberer Cup Final after it was discovered by Perry Street League officials that Halstock had played an ineligible player in their 3-0 semi final win over the Robins at Barrs Lane on March 25th.

Cup Final details: Charmouth v Farway United (at Lyme Regis FC - Friday, May 5th, 6.15pm ko).

### football tables

D&E Div 6 (24) Pld Pts	
Winkleigh (C)	22 61
Exwick Village	23 50
Central FC	22 45
Hemyock	21 40
Lyme Regis Res	19 39
Halwill Reserves	21 36
Offwell Rangers	22 36*
Elmore Reserves	19 25
Stoke Hill	23 22*
Tivvy Park Rangers	22 20
Dunkeswell Rovers	22 18
Hatherleigh Res	23 10*
Silvertown	23 5

D&E Div 7 (22) Pld Pts	
Ilminster Res (C)	22 56
Cranbrook	22 54
Wellington 3rds	21 48
Sidmouth Town 3rds	21 39
Exmouth Spartans	21 37
Bickleigh Reserves	21 29
K&M Polonia Exeter	22 25
Cheriton Fitzpaine	22 23
Seaton Town Res	21 20*
Woodbury Reserves	21 20
Colyton Reserves	20 10
HT Dons	22 7

D&E Div 8 (22) Pld Pts	
Uptonery Reserves	21 51
Bravehearts	21 49
Axminster 3rds	22 44*
Queen's Head	22 37
Kentisbeare Res	22 34
Lapford Reserves	22 34
Bampton Reserves	21 26
Newtown Popp'd Res	22 26
Amory Green	21 20
Seven Stars Kenn'd	21 12*
Bradinch	22 11*
Sandford Reserves	21 11

D&E Div 9 (Final) Pld Pts	
St Martins 3rds (C)	18 37
Witheridge 3rds	18 35
Chagford Reserves	18 34
Millway Rise Res	18 29
East Budleigh Res	18 29
Honiton Town 3rds	18 29
Tedburn St Mary Res	18 21
Amory Green Res	18 20
Central FC Reserves	18 15
Feniton 3rds	18 7

Perry St Prem (18) Pld Pts	
Barrington	16 38
Beaminster	16 37
South Petherton	16 34
Shepton Beauchamp	14 29
Misterton	16 27
Winsham Utd	15 20
Chard Utd	16 15
W & M Chinnock	16 13
Combe Reserves	17 6*
Netherbury	16 6

Perry St Div 1 (18) Pld Pts	
Waytown Hounds	16 32
Pymore	15 30
Merriott Rovers	14 29
Forton Rangers	16 29
Hawkechurch Utd	13 28
Ilminster Colts	15 25
Uplyme	15 20
Shepton Beau Res	18 14*
Combe A	16 7*
South Petherton Res	14 2

Perry St Div 2 (18) Pld Pts	
Halstock	14 33
Chard Rangers	14 32
Winsham Utd Res	16 31
Farway Utd Res	13 27
Charmouth	16 26
Dawlish & Donyatt	16 18
Crewkerne Rangers	16 17
Thorncombe	17 15
Kingsbury Episcopi	16 15
Chard Utd Reserves	16 7

Perry St Div 3 (24) Pld Pts	
Misterton Reserves	20 50
Forton Rangers Res	16 42
Uplyme Reserves	16 39
Merriott Dynamos	18 30
Ilminster Town A	20 27
Crewk Rangers A	20 26
Thorncombe Res	19 26
Fivehead	17 23
Lyme Regis Rovers	17 20*
Farway Utd Res	18 12*
Chard Rangers Res	19 11
Chard Utd All Stars	18 11



## starter's orders running news

## Kilmington Kanter burns off the Easter eggs

## Axe Valley Runners

with Dave Mutter

LAST Wednesday evening saw the start of the YEOVIL TOWN ROAD RUNNING CLUB 5K series which has gained a reputation as the quickest road 5k course in the area and consists of six races, around RNAS Yeovilton.

Athletes come from as far away as Poole, Bristol, Bideford and Teignmouth to test themselves. AVR had five members competing in the field of 183.

Jake Smith came 3rd in 15.28, just 17 seconds off of the winner. Ollie Caute came 10th in 16.22. Luke Reed was 26th in 17.36. Matt Hower (36th) set a new PB of 18.10.

A special mention also should go to Josh Hopson who completed the course in 39th place and set a new PB of 18.19 which would get the most improved award. The next race is on Wednesday, May 10th.

On Good Friday AVR put on a superb performance at this year's KILMINGTON KANTER, Fun Run and children's race.

The events were well organised by the Kilmington Primary School PTFA. The Kanter is a seven mile multi-terrain race taking in Kilmington and Shute. AVR's took the three top spots; Ollie Caute 1st in 44:08, James Green 2nd

44:10 and Matt Clist 3rd 45:23. Flo Swan was first woman home, 20th overall 50:53 and Karen Eyre was 3rd woman 39th 55:47.

AVR took six of the top 10 positions with Simon Davis in 5th in 46:01, Tim Lenton 7th 46:26 and Chris Perry 8th 47:12. Then came Matt Hower 13th 48:59, John Blackledge 19th 50:19, Tim Sibley 38th 55:28, Iain Horlock 45th 56:43, Eleanor Wood 47th 56:53, Clare Hansford 59th 59:23, Ian Clements 61st 59:52, Peter Knox 67th 1:00:37, Sue Hayes 70th 1:01:07, William Watson 71st 1:02:04, Kelly Stamp 72nd 1:02:10, James Sibley 73rd 1:02:21, Ragnhild Richards 85th 1:04:53, Andrew Hartnell 87th 1:05:07, Andrew Sayers 91st 1:06:05, Anders Larsson 92nd 1:06:26, Alex Boon 94th 1:06:50, 106th Richard Jackson 1:09:51, Mark Spraggs 114th 1:11:07, Steven Lewis 116th 1:11:24, Hannah Williams 126th 1:16:30, Robert Kerr 129th 1:19:02 and John Melloedew 133rd 1:23:36.

In the 2.5k Fun Run through Kilmington Woods AVR's also did well: Ethan Huntley was 5th in 22:30, Peter Johns 14th in 25:19, Cameron Board 18th 26:28, David Cooke 32nd 29:12 out of 42 runners.

And in the 1K race for under 11s Michael Johns came in 16th and Andrew

Johns in 23rd out of the 71 runners.

AVRs Ollie Caute, Flo Swan, Karen Eyres, Eleanor Wood and Ethan Huntley were all prize winners in their particular categories.

The generous prize hampers were kindly donated by Millers Farm Shop and Ganesha Whole Foods.

## Chard Road Runners

with Paul Masters

SIX CRR's took on the The KILMINGTON KANTER.

Heading out first for CRR's was Martin Holley and Gavin Wyatt, both liking the firmer going as were both able to maintain good early pace, heading along the higher tracks. Holley crossed the line in 51:41 22/136, Wyatt in 55:59 41/136. Other results; Keiron Chapman 01:07:03 95/136, Simon Hall 01:08:15 100/136, Helen Baxter 01:14:38, Claire Pomeroy 01:19:05.

CRR's AGM is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26th at Chard Cricket Club at 8.30pm all welcome.

## Honiton RC

with Judy Davey

THERE was a good turn out for Good Friday's KILMINGTON KANTER.

Adam Hennessey was first back for HRC coming 12th in 48:56 and he was followed by Nick Silkstone



■ WARMED UP AND READY: Honiton Running Club members pictured before The Kilmington Kanter

15th in 49:27. New HRC runner Mark Newson came 29th in 53:29 while Richard Harvey came 32nd in 54:26.

Steve Davey and Alasdair Moffatt had a good battle with Steve managing to come just one second ahead of Alasdair in 34th place and 54:55.

The next five runners were very close throughout the race swapping positions many times with Paula Ferris leading them and the other HRC ladies home to come 49th in 57:13.

Mark Dallyn finished 52nd in 58:01 while Judy and Jo Davey followed directly behind with Judy eight seconds later and Jo

just one second after her. Judy took home a very nice hamper for winning her age category.

Richard Terry knocked over 10 minutes off his time from last year in finishing 57th in 58:54. Tim Wigram came 69th in 1:00:53, Nicola Greenland 74th in 1:02:34, Howard Bidmead 75th in 1:02:50, Joe Daly 120th in 1:14:04 and Claire Rouse 122nd in 1:14:32. There were 136 finishers.

Honiton had great success in the FUN RUN with Phoebe Clark coming 1st female and 2nd overall in 21:04. Her sister Alice also won her category coming 8th overall in 23:15 and 3rd

overall female. There were 42 finishers.

Three HRC runners opted for the flat river Exe tow path in a bid to boost their 10K times in The FAST FRIDAY 10K part of the Instep Devon race series.

Roger Saunders came 64th and first in the V60 category in 46:53 so this keeps him in the running for the overall lead in this category for the Instep Devon race series.

Katy Campbell was not far behind in 72nd place in 48:22 and Rachel Hennessey was 92nd in 50:56.

The race was won by Phil Wylie of Cheltenham Harriers in 31:30.

## boules axe valley

## Season underway

Whitbread Cup 1st Round: Royal Clarence A 4 New Inners 3; Axe Cliff Mixed 3 Eyre Court A 4; Kingfisher Rebels 1 Golden Hind B 5; Gerrard Red Balls 4 Cloakham Lawns 2; Seaton Town FC A 4 White Hart Movers 2; Whitford Warriors 3 Axe Cliff B 4; Kings Jesters 1 New Inn Flyers 5; Kings Arms A 1 Colyton FC 5; New White Hart 4 Royal Clarence B 3; Golden Wonders 1 Gerrard Arms B 5; Fishers 5 Kingfisher Stars 1; Lamb Visitors 4 Lamb (mutton) 2.

2nd Round draw (home teams first): Royal Clarence A v Ship Castaways; Eyre Court A v Golden Hind B; Gerrard Red Balls v Seaton Town FC A; Axe Cliff B v Beer Mariners; New Inn Flyers v Shipwrecked; Colyton FC v New White Hart; Gerrard Arms B v Fishers; Lamb Visitors v Kingfisher A.

Hansfords 'Knocked-Out' Plate 1st Round draw: Axe Cliff Mixed v Kingfisher Rebels; Cloakham Lawns v White Hart Movers; Kings Arms A v Royal Clarence B; Golden Wonders v Kingfisher Stars. New Inners, Whitford Warriors, Kings Jesters and Lamb (mutton) have byes to the quarter-finals.

Matches to be played on Tuesday, May 16th where possible (there are piste clashes at Axe Cliff Golf Club and The Gerrard Arms).

## on the frontier around the local skittles leagues

## COLYTON

KO Cup final: Volunteer B 374 (Caroline Canniford 71) Axminster Con A 493 (T Darrington 95).

KO'D Cup final: Vine B 3833 (W Pratt 78) Honiton Con D 366 (W Pratt 75).

Div 1: Tuckers Arms B 370 (Lorna Gould 68) Colcombe A 315 (S Marks 59); New Inn A 376 (R Webb 72) Vine B 335 (K Gush 62); Gerrard A 358 (R Hooper 66) Red Lion A 354 (C Miller 75); Axminster Con A 364 (I Macdonald 70) Seaton FC A 350 (M Hancock 73); Colyton Club A 347 (G Foxwell 65); Lamb A 366 (A Mudge 69); Lamb B 302 (C Moulton 60) Honiton Con D 346 (S Williams 69); Red Lion Cavaliers 373 (W Phillips 72) Cloakham B 393 (P Miller 73).

Div 2: Ship C 380 (V Trivett 73) Offwell A 376 (R Pincombe 67); Vine A 332 (C Maher 64) Dolphin Vikings 345; Wheelwright A 334 (P Hammett, P Squires 57) Kings Arms Beers 297 (T Cook 58); Tuckers A 370 (J Seaton AFC A) Gerrard B 340 (D Vine B) Seaton FC 339 (J Bass 61) Honiton Converts 333 (L Gillard 67); Eagle Tavern 377 (M Jackson 79) Volunteer A 427 (D Williams 94); Colcombe Beerboys 435 (P Crabb 84); Honiton WMC A 413 (S Pye 83);

Div 3: Kingfisher A 279 (R Collier 58) Red Lion Sidbury B 302 (J Beaton 58); Three Tuns B 297 (A Wheatley 57) Ship A 282 (A Spiller 51); Colcombe B 416 (B Harris 80) Village Inn A 452 (G Little 89); Wilmington Harts 369 (J Woolacott 78) Mountbatten Whites 371 (J Peace 78); Volunteer B 323 (N Broom 67) Vine Nomads 316 (K Munt 59);

Div 4: Rising Sun A 376 (P Northcott 75) Heathfield A 361 (D Crab 68); Kings Arms A 351 (Di Hallett 67) Axminster Inn A 361 (S Palmer 76);

Honiton WMC B 329 (J Smith 64) Tuckers C 333 (R Burrough 62); Honiton Con A 332 (M Richards 67) Winstons A 333 (A Jarman 61); Honiton ConArtists 360 (D Jones, M Parkinson 64) Seaton FC B 344 (C Ziemann 66);

Div 5: Winstons KOOTS 341 (R Woolland 68) Colyton Club B 344 (W Richards 66); Dolphin B 335 (R Westlake 62) Seaton Bowling 335 (Hazel Smith 64); Honiton Con Raiders 336 (S Eveleigh 63) Kingfisher B 362 (B Dowell 61); Sidmouth Arms Kings 328 (D McCullum 61) White Hart A 327 (H Parr, R Hallworth 59); Heathfield B 320 (Jenny Broom, Marion Fletcher 56) Tuckers Arms D 336 (D Bennett 69).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Axe Con A	25	33
Gerrard A	25	32
New Inn A	25	32
Honiton Con D	25	31
Red Lion Cavs	25	30
Tuckers B	25	27
Lamb B	25	26
Seaton AFC A	25	26
Vine B	25	22
Colyton Club A	25	21
Red Lion A	25	21
Cloakham B	25	18
Colcombe A	25	16
Lamb A	25	15

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Volunteer A	25	35
Offwell A	25	32
Sidbury SC Stones	25	30
Vine A	25	26
Ship C	25	29
Honiton Converts	25	26
Wheelwright A	25	25
Dolphin Vikings	25	24
Gerrard B	25	24
Honiton WMC A	25	21
Tuckers Arms A	25	21
Eagle Tavern	25	20
Colcombe Beerboys	25	19
Kings Arms Beers	25	14

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Sidbury Village Inn	22	29
Vine Nomads	21	27
Red Lion Sidbury	21	23
Wilmington Harts	21	22
Volunteer B	21	22

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Rising Sun A	21	35
Axe Inn A	21	27
Heathfield A	21	26
Kings Arms A	21	26
Honiton Con A	21	19
Honiton Con Artists	21	18
New Inn B	21	18
Seaton AFC B	21	18
Winstons	21	18
Honiton WMC B	21	17
Rising Sun B	21	16
Tuckers Arms C	21	15

Division Five	Pld	Pts
Colcombe Nomads	22	40
Colyton Club B	21	38
Seaton Bowling	22	27
Offwell Rejects	21	26
Sidmouth Arms Kings	21	24
White Hart A	21	20
Kingfisher B	21	18
Winstons Koots	21	18
Dolphin B	21	17
Heathfield B	21	12
Tuckers Arms D	21	8
Honiton Con Raiders	21	6

Division Five  
Colcombe Nomads 22 40  
Colyton Club B 21 38  
Seaton Bowling 22 27  
Offwell Rejects 21 26  
Sidmouth Arms Kings 21 24  
White Hart A 21 20  
Kingfisher B 21 18  
Winstons Koots 21 18  
Dolphin B 21 17  
Heathfield B 21 12  
Tuckers Arms D 21 8  
Honiton Con Raiders 21 6

## AXMINSTER

Mens' Div 1: Old Inn Kilm A 378 (M Collier 69) Green Army 326 (J Lack 65) B&Gs 370 (P Garner 67) Ax Con Rebels 366 (V Trott 73), Sidmouth Arms 370 (T Bright 65) Kingfisher Feds 354 (J Chaplyn 64), Red Lion D 378 (D Herbert, J Hoole 67) Gerrard D 359 (P Gibbons 65), Tuckers C 360 (S Hembrow 69) Red Devils 345 (P Margetts 63), Thorncombe Drifters 353 (P Waller 67) Lamb Spartans 389 (S Land 69).

Div 2: New Inn A 364 (T Cook 71) WH Wilm A 335 (P Jeffery 65), Cloakham Stars 382 (D Baker, J Furzey 66) New Inn C 342 (D Webb 60), Lamb A 332 (G Smith 68) Thorncombe C 303 (G Maber 63), Thorncombe A 378 (N Hawker 73) Wootton Sherberts 360 (L Baker 70), Ger-

rard A 352 (S Riley 67) Colcombe A 342 (J Williams 67), Ax Inn Jokers 336 (A Churchill 65) Red Lion C 305 (M Rowe, J Legg 54).

Div 3: Ax Con A 306 (A Thomas 56) Kings Arms Seaton 301 (W Doble 56), WH Wilm B 386 (T Hoard Jr 76) Old Inn Kilm B 380 (J Highet 69), Ax Fc B 430 (R Smith 91) Ax Inn A 402 (B Margetts 81), Colcombe B 413 (K Wyatt 77) Gerrard B 391 (G Holland 77), Ax Fc A 405 (M Boniface 96) Ax Fc Halfcuts 410 (P Reed 81), Ax Inn B 326 (A Beer 62) Ax Fc IV 283 (J Chaplyn 59).

Div 4: Ship Rotary 361 (R Woolland 65) Lamb Shanks 369 (P Herrod 69), Colcombe Nomads 345 (B Shedd 68) Kingfisher A 358 (B Marshall 67), Tuckers Y 332 (M Searle B Johnson 58) Winston Wobblers 321.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Ax Con Club Rebels	26	40
Lamb Spartans	26	38
Sidmouth Arms	26	34
B & Gs	26	33
Wootton Cowboys	25	28
Tuckers C	26	28
Green Army	26	26
Red Lion Red Devils	26	24
The Feds (Kingfisher)	26	24
Thorncombe B	25	22
Thorncombe Drifters	26	19
Red Lion D	26	18
Old Inn Kilming A	26	16
Gerrard D	26	12

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Thorncombe A	26	40
Wootton Sherberts	26	36
Axe Inn Jokers	26	30
Thorncombe C	24	30
New Inn Kilming C	26	28
Tuckers Maggots	25	28
Colcombe A	26	28
Red Lion C	25	26
White Hart Wilm A	26	22
New Inn Kilm A	26	22
White Hart Warriors	25	21
Gerrard A	25	20
Cloakham Stars	26	16
Lamb A	26	13

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Axminster Inn B	24	32
Axe Con Club A	24	32
Gerrard B	24	30
King Wingers	24	28

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Lamb 49s	23	37
Lamb Shanks	23	30
Colcombe Nomads	23	30
Seaton Bowling Club	21	26
New Inn Hawks	23	22
Bev's Boys	21	22
Winston Wobblers	22	20
Kingfisher A	23	20
Ship Rotary	22	19
Tuckers Y	22	16
Gerrard C	21	14
White Hart Colyford	19	10
Bottle Inn (Withdrawn)	11	8

Ladies League  
Div 1: Ax Inn A 318 (S Boyland 60), Gerrard Guzzlers 273 (P Berry 54) Seaton BC 316 (P Whitworth 61) Colcombe A 287 (C Ogden 57), Wotnots 377 (C Phillips 76) New Inn B 338 (S Hurford 61), New Inn A 292 (H Hopewell 53) Thorncombe Newtops 270 (M Fursman 53), Red Lion A 373 (C Spiller 74) Colcombe Girls 321 (C Targett 65).

Div 2: Gerrard A 331 (C Thurston 59) Ax Inn Allsorts 281 (S Fifer, J Pring 50), Colcombe Angels 330 (S Gush 67) Red Lion Rabbie 341 (F Bagge 68), Thorncombe A 322 (Katie Gaylard 66) B&Js Cloakham 280 (B Sluman, J White 52), Tuckers A 322 (L Gould 60) Tuckers B 321 (S Cooper 58), Cloakham A 324 (W Kiy 58) Ax FC Battleaxes 328 (B Lunt 59), Colcombe B 373 (S Chaplin 76) Seaton FC 360 (L Smitham 83).

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Axe Inn A	22	38
Wotnots	22	34
Red Lion A	22	30
Seaton Bowling Club	22	30
Rousdon Ladies	22	23
Colcombe A	22	22
New Inn A	22	18
Colcombe Girls	22	17

Division Two	Pld	Pts
New Inn B	22	16
Bees Knees	22	15
Gerrard Guzzlers	22	13
Thorncombe Newtops	22	8

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Cloakham A	24	34
Tuckers Arms B	24	32
Gerrard A	24	30
Battle Axes	24	29
B & Js	24	28
Colcombe B	24	26
White Hart Wilm A	24	24
Seaton FC	24	23
Tuckers Arms A	24	22
Thorncombe A	24	21
Colcombe Angels	24	17
Axe Inn Allsorts	24	14
Red Lion Rabbie	24	12

ILMINSTER & DIST  
Division One  
Flying Turkeys 16 113  
Cricketers 16 104  
Crown Crusaders 16 102  
Flying Turkeys A Stars 15 97  
Rocky's Rollers 16 97  
Ashill Inn 15 93  
Wyndham Warriors 16 93  
Hatch Beagles 16 83  
Nomads 16 70

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Bell Broadway	15	122
Royal Oak Faces	16	117
Bell A	16	107
Floater's	15	106
Kings Head	14	99
Ashill Boys	15	92
Iiton Choppers	15	87
Wyndham Clangers	14	49
Hatch Eggs	16	25

CREWKERNE & DIST  
Division One  
Super Sexy Six 21 199  
Lost Boys 21 194  
Headhunters 21 159  
The Coachmen 21



## darts chard &amp; district

Premier Division	Pld	Pts	Pig Jockeys	Pld	Pts
High 4 & a Half	14	273	Cult of Personality	16	136
Rejects Return	14	262	Pirates	16	120
Wanderers	14	207	Nice Ricks	16	107
BDBs	14	201	<b>Most 180s; A.Sharp 4</b>		
Crusaders	14	185	S.Castle, P.Newton, S.Davis		
Hobnobs	14	162	& M.Ballance all 2, 16 players		
Hopefuls	14	126	x1.		
Happy Sharks	14	124			
<b>Most 180s; L.Cox 10</b>			<b>Division Two</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>
P.Lawrence 9, G.Hill 6			HRT	14	180
D.Herbert, S.Mainwaring 4			Madhouse Crew	14	163
S.Rutter 3, J.Gardiner			Stumpy's Gang	14	160
K.Spurdle & L.Roper 3, eight			Dizzy Tarts	14	143
players 2, 11 players 1.			Happy Days	14	142
			The Haymaker	14	106
<b>Division One</b>	<b>Pld</b>	<b>Pts</b>	Two Minute Crew	14	90
Okey Doaks	16	203	No skill, just lucky	14	89
Random Tossers	16	187	<b>Most 180s; D.Means 2</b>		
Pop Darts	16	174	A.Pidgeon, J.Webber		
Down's	16	157	A.Mather, B.Allen, R.Davies		
PAs	16	157	A.Sprake & K.Tovey all x1.		

## darts colyton &amp; district

RESULTS (1001/Pairs first):

**Week 24:** Kingfisher B 1(2) Kings Arms 4(4); Vault A 3(2) Halesy's Bar B 2(4); Royal Clarence A 2(4) Dolphin B 3(2); Halesy's Bar A 4(4) Vault B 1(2); New Inn 1(3) Kingfisher A 4(3).

**Week 25:** Kingfisher A 0(0) Halesy's Bar A 5(6); Kings Arms 4(6) Golden Hind 1(0).

**Highest Makeouts:** 116 Christie Wantling (Halesy's Bar A); 100 Vinnie Sweeny (Vault A).

**180s:** Kevin Searle (Halesy's Bar A); Paul Vaughan (Vault A).

**9-dart-legs:** Christie Wantling, Kevin Searle (Halesy's Bar A).

1001 pairs Tucker Cup	Pld	Pts	Singles - Maundrill Cup	Pld	Pts
Halesy's Bar A	21	89	Halesy's Bar A	21	108
Halesy's Bar B	20	74	Kings Arms	22	84
Kings Arms	22	72	Halesy's Bar B	20	80
Vault A	21	64	Vault A	21	74
Dolphin A	20	54	Dolphin A	20	68
Golden Hind	21	50	Vault B	20	62
Kingfisher A	20	45	Kingfisher A	20	60
Vault B	20	44	Golden Hind	21	53
Kingfisher B	19	39	Kingfisher B	19	45
Clarence A	19	36	Dolphin B	19	38
Clarence A	19	23	Clarence A	19	33
New Inn	20	15	New Inn	20	28

## angling chard ac

TWENTY three Chard AC members fished around two of the Perry Street and Sadorow League on Sunday.

Once again the top three weights came from Sadorow with Howard Watts leading the way with 100lb 6oz of mainly carp from peg 6.

John Anderson was second with 72lb 4oz from peg 4 and Shane Jeffery was third with 65lb 4oz from peg 8.

Top weight at Perry Street was Jamie Rich with 13 carp for 50lb 6oz

from peg 2, Brendon Ions was second with 49lb 8oz and Mike Smith was third with 47lb from peg 8.

**Sadorow:** 1st Howard Watts (Torquay) 100lb 6oz, 2nd John Anderson (Chard) 72lb 4oz, 3rd Shane Jeffery (Chard) 65lb 4oz.

**Perry Street:** 1st Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) 50lb 6oz, 2nd Brendon Ions (Torquay) 49lb 8oz, 3rd Mike Smith (Torquay) 47lb.

## point-to-point racing news

## Big crowds at Littlewindsor

WITH BOB BRACHER

EASTER Saturday brought the crowds flocking to Littlewindsor where the Seavention held their point-to-point.

The highlights were a training treble for Ed Walker, riding doubles for Will Biddick and Josh Newman and a breeding double for local owner Audrey Goodwin and compliments from all participants about the excellent watering job done by Jeremy Barber and his team to produce such good ground.

The OPENING HUNT race where all three entries took part became a tactical contest as the two leaders Driftwood Pride ridden by George Hiscock and Minim Mouse ridden by Josh Newman disputed the lead for much of the race until Rusty Nail ridden by 17 year old Ben Godfrey who had been sitting behind them produced his mount at the last and won quite cosily by a length and a half.

Bought privately from former owner Katie Bellamy for Ben to ride and his mother Sally to train this season this was their first success together and the sixth career victory for Ben which includes a Hunter Chase win at Newbury.

Will's first winner of the afternoon came courtesy of My Dance trained by Ed Walker and owned by Richard Kelvin-Hughes in the YOUNG MAIDEN race over two miles and four furlongs.

Ridden prominently with the other newcomer in the field Darcy Ward ridden by Martin McIntyre she had too much in hand for her younger rival and had four lengths to spare at the winning post.

Bred by her owner out of the seven time winning mare My Petra she has been with Ed and his wife Polly since July last

year.

Josh's first winner and Ed's second winner of the day was Journey Juice in the OPEN MAIDEN race. Bred by Audrey Goodwin the five year old chestnut Apple



■ POISED: Miss Gotaway, Abbie Hughes (1st) in The PPORA Club Members race. Photo by TIM HOLT

Tree gelding was sold by her to the Otter Club as a replacement for Vila Cova who won for the Club in 2016. Josh bided his time behind long-time leader Karigale for much of the race but ran out a comfortable winner by four lengths.

The MEN'S OPEN race run in honour of that grand campaigner Southwestern who was put to sleep earlier this year was won in style by Dan McGrue ridden by Will Biddick and trained by Jack Barber.

Setting off in front and determined to ensure his mount saw all his fences Will shook off the attention of nearest pursuer Kernel Victor and despite a bit of a mistake at the last was a comfortable winner.

## tee off golf

## Easter Cross country triumph for Wallis

HONITON with John Pawley

THE good weather continued and there were some excellent scores in last week's Tuesday Mixed competition - a four-ball team event with the best man's score and the best lady's score to count.

The victorious team were Liz Wood, Jan Portlock, Cyril Dann & Max Pipe with 85 points. In second place with 82 were Stephani and Bob Barnes with Hilda & Brian Hoepelman, closely followed by Sue and Paul Ritchie with Elizabeth & John Ward with 81.

The seniors visited STOVER GC for their second friendly fixture of the year, and in very pleasant conditions went down by 3½-2½.

The seniors opened up their normal competition on Good Friday to allow all members of the Club to play.

There were 13 groups with ladies included, and 10 all-men groups in the 3BBB, all playing off ¾ of their handicaps.

The previous work on the

greens continued to make life a little tricky but their improvement will be welcomed through the season.



■ ACE: Vice Captain John Pawley took the opportunity to present Alex Neil with his tankard for his hole-in-one, achieved last week at the 10th.

Seven two's were recorded - at the 2nd by Bob Cockett, Bob

Underwood and Mike Stroud and at the 12th by Phil Faulkner, Ian Davis and Brian Bird - each received seven balls.

Winners in the mixed grouping were; Dave Maggs, Elizabeth Wood & Bob Cockett with 76 points, followed by John Fleetwood, Steve Ritchie & Tom Stanton on 73, David Scott, Vicki Rogers & John Ward with 72 and Mike Watts, Olwen Easton & John Chew with 71.

In the all Men's group Jim Wallis, David Woodruff & Tom Tunnicliffe came out on top with 80 points, followed by Steve Butcher, Steve Blundell & Ashley Murray (79), Ted Chandler, Fred Utting & Ian Piper (74) and Nigel Broadbent, Phil Faulkner & David Pearson (71).

Honiton's Ben Phillips was in the Devon County Team that won the FOUR COUNTRIES JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP at Weymouth last week. The eight-man teams, from Devon, Cornwall, Dorset and Somerset play each other

once, with six single match-play matches and one four-somes game per match.

Devon defeated Somerset 7-0 and Cornwall 4-3 but was beaten 4-3 in the final match against Dorset. They had still done enough to win the title, with Ben winning two of his three matches.

On Saturday the club team defeated visitors SIDMOUTH 5½-½ in a friendly.

Meanwhile, the Dartmoor League team was whitewashed 5-0 at DARTMOUTH.

Sunday saw the EASTER CROSS COUNTRY competition - a fun nine-hole competition with a challenging layout which tested the skills of members, from a 60 yard par 3 to a 786 yard par 6. The winner was Jim Wallis with 19 points.

## CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

DUE to course maintenance, the greens have been spiked and treated, very little golf of any consequence took place.

## rugby chard

## Okes trip off

1st xv v Okehampton THE RFU have decided that it is not necessary to play last week's game which was postponed last weekend because the referee failed to arrive as it had no bearing on promotion or relegation. Chard will be relegated as the third lowest team in the league and Okehampton occupy amid table position.

Next Saturday Chard play their final league match of the season when they host Teignmouth (3pm ko)

The 2nd xv will travel to play Midsomer Norton in their final game (3pm).

Next Saturday Evening the Club will host the players awards dinner when the main guest will be Thomas Waldron from Exeter Chiefs.

The Club AGM is scheduled for Thursday, April 27th at 7pm in the clubhouse. All members and supporters of the Club are welcome to attend.

Is there anyone out there who would like to get involved with the management/coaching of the 2nd xv?

If so the club would love to hear from you as well as anyone wishing to get involved in the running of the club in any way. Contact Gavin Smillie on 07772 225263.

## Chard Vets 29

## Crewkerne Vets 38

CHARD hosted Crewkerne Vets in the traditional Easter game with the teams made up of players over the age of 35.

Crewkerne were the first on the score sheet but this was cancelled out when Jason Hole went over for Chard and the conversion was good.

The game was on the whole an even affair. Mike Farthing dotted down behind the line twice and Mick Duffy also got his name on the score sheet.

In the last 10 minutes Ben Mainwaring went over to even the score with the kick taking the visitors ahead 29-31 and then a storming run by Crewkerne's Nick Pittard set up a try for Jack Osborne which was converted to complete the scoring.

## jack high bowls news and round-up



■ MERRIOTT'S Jack Bradley recently helped the England Under 21s defeated Wales 48-22 in Birmingham. Merriott has entered teams in the Spring competitions at Donyatt. Anne Weeks and John Lacey were in the Singles where Anne got through to the quarter finals and John to the semis. A week later Anne and John were joined by Bill Elston in the Triples and they reached the semi finals against Burrowbridge who went on to win the competition. Merriott's other team of Frank Smith, Anne Loose & Sue Saunders also took part but came up against stronger teams. Merriott recently held a club competition for the Pam Gregory Over 70's trophy with Mike Dandridge beating Margaret Rowsell in the final (see photo above).



■ Winners and runners up of the Honiton Bowls club competitions who attended the presentation evening last Saturday to close the indoor season. The Honiton Bowls Club's men topped their indoor bowling season with a win over Sidmouth 71 shots to 54. Top triple were Alan Fuller, Barrie Singleton and Ian Veitch 23-9. Congratulations go to Jimmy Smith who is runner up in the county Under 21 singles competition, losing the final to ex Honiton colleague



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■ **LOCAL RUN:** The Axe Valley runners pictured before the weekend's Kilmington Kanter - see report on page 46

## New PBs



■ **HAPPY WITH THAT:** There was great weather for the Osprey Sprint Triathlon at the weekend and this was reflected in the trio of east Devon-based Pure Endurance Tri Endurance club members who took part and all records PBs. The event consisted of a 300m indoor pool swim, 17k bike ride and 5k run. Results: Luke Reed - Swim 04:53mins, Bike 32:12mins, Run 18:58mins - Total 57:41mins 7th Overall (4th Age Group). Dean Churchill - 05:02, 34:41, 20:35 - 1hr 02:10 20th/6th AG. Andrew Dare - 05:41, 38:09, 23:25 - 1hr 09:50mins 65th/20th AG.



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